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GENERAL

Introduction

Anyone reading this report cannot fail to be impressed by the very wide diversity of the subjects engaged upon and the problems investigated by officers of the Ministry of Health and Welfare.

It has for many years now been our policy to go forward on a broad front and not to tie up too much of the limited funds available in the development of a few specific projects. It would be easy to concentrate expenditure on the control or even eradication of some of the more prevalent tropical diseases; but a study of the reasons why patients attend for treatment (see the Tables at the end of this report), reveals that more patients suffer from diseases which are not specifically tropical and which will only cease to be important as the public generally learns to look after its health and to appreciate a more satisfactory environment in the home. The environment in this context includes better housing, adequate sanitation and safe water supplies. In the body of the report reference is made to the views of outside observers who seem to be of the opinion that the development of the multi-purpose health centre with a staff responsible for handling all health problems within their area is probably the most appropriate development in underdeveloped countries where funds are limited.

The very considerable degree by which the Government services still fall short of meeting the needs of the people can best be appreciated if it is understood that the cost of these services per head of the population amounts to no more than six shillings and seventy-five cents per annum, of which sum one shilling and fifty-four cents is obtained as direct revenue in the form of a variety of fees for service. If effort can be considered to be concentrated in any way then, apart from the hospital services which speak for themselves, it can be considered to be directed towards the training of auxiliary staff, the development of the health centre service, the improvement of maternal and child health, the control of pulmonary tuberculosis and the improvement of the environment with particular emphasis on better housing, adequate sanitation and safe water supplies.

Water creates a problem on its own—whilst it is essential to life its presence has a direct or indirect bearing on the incidence of most of the important tropical diseases; malaria, onchocerciasis, bilharzia and gambiense sleeping sickness. Even the dry country disease Kala-azar seems to have its greatest prevalence in the neighbourhood of water; for example the only major epidemic, that occurring in Kitui District in 1952/54, was in the locations bordering the Tana River. The two diseases most likely to be increased by the activities of man are malaria and bilharzia, they constitute an ever present hazard in the development of irrigation schemes unless, as at Miwani (referred to again in the report), the water used for irrigation purposes is conducted to the point of discharge in pipes rather than in open channels. It is not easy to compare the economic gains in an irigation system resulting from increased agricultural production with the losses resulting from a deterioration in the health of the workers but it is interesting to note that at least one commercial concern has found it not uneconomic to distribute its water in the safest if initially the most expensive way.

The Government's expenditure on welfare services is very limited, most effort being related to the giving of assistance and encouragement to voluntary societies. Two very important projects were brought to a conclusion during 1960; one a Survey of the Needs of Children carried out by the Child Welfare Society and the other the preparation of a Children and Young Persons Bill which brings together into one Ordinance all existing legislation and makes possible the full development of a children's service. These two projects were complementary and each in its way will determine the pattern of future development.

The Lancaster House Conference with its proposed changes to the Constitution resulted in a certain amount of unsettlement of the staff but even so the number leaving as a consequence was not so great as to affect seriously the workings of the Medical Department, whilst recruitment from overseas, notably of medical officers, continued until the end of the year. This year of uncertainty was associated with an increase in the work done by the Medical Department in terms of patients treated whilst the more general public health activities continued unabated.

Legislation

THE FOOD, DRUGS AND CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES BILL

The Ministry has initiated the Food, Drugs and Chemical Substances Bill which, when enacted will be an enabling Ordinance, designed to emphasize and support the role of local authorities in the control of the standard of articles offered for sale to the public, not only from the public health point of view, but also with the intention of avoiding deception. The necessity to draft this new Bill arose out of the fact that the Food and Drugs (Adulteration) Ordinance is not entirely adequate to meet present day needs.

Much help and advice was given to the Ministry by the Food Standards Committee, upon which the relevant Government and commercial interests are represented. Recognizing the value of such an advisory body, which is at present quasi-official, one of the main recommendations in the new Bill is the setting up of a statutory standards committee to advise the Minister more particularly regarding regulations to be made under the new ordinance by the Government and by local authorities.

THE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS BILL

A Working Party was appointed to consider and draft a new Bill to combine in one Ordinance the provisions of the Prevention of Cruelty to and Neglect of Children Ordinance and the Juveniles Ordinance. Further reference to this will be made in the section dealing with child welfare.

SUBSIDIARY LEGISLATION

Draft rules for the control of the manufacture and sale of condensed milk have been produced with the co-operation and advice of the Food Standards Committee.

The Public Health (Milk and Dairies) Rules and the Public Health (Dried Milk) Rules were amended by Legal Notice Nos. 93 and 94 respectively. This legislation was made with the advice of the Food Standards Committee upon which the Kenya Dairy Board is represented.

Statutory Boards and Councils

MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS' AND DENTISTS' BOARD

During the year the Board continued to meet quarterly.

Dr. A. J. Walker, Director of Medical Services, Chairman, left on retirement and was replaced by Dr. E. P. Rigby, Acting Director of Medical Services.

Dr. J. A. Carman resigned after serving the Board for many years and Dr. E. M. Horowitz was nominated by the British Medical Association to fill the vacancy.

During the year the Board dealt with nine disciplinary cases. There were no erasures.

A complete list of registered and licensed medical practitioners and registered dentists was published in the Kenya Gazette, Special Issue, Vol. LXII No. 11 of 19th February, 1960.

During the year 57 medical practitioners were registered and five licensed. One dentist was registered.

PHARMACY AND POISONS BOARD

Four meetings of the Board were held. The standing Pharmacists Committee which deals with much of the detailed work of the Board, met on numerous occasions. Amongst matters of importance dealt with by the Board during the year were the furtherance of amendments to the Pharmacy and Poisons Ordinance, 1956, which had become necessary in light of administrative difficulties experienced in the working of the Ordinance since it came into force. The distribution and sale of trypanocidal drugs used in veterinary practice was more closely controlled. The latter had become a growing problem in that the normal channels of distribution had shown some signs of being ignored and the drugs were falling into the hands of unauthorized persons and drug resistance was becoming apparent.

The drugs inspectorate continued to be active and a number of convictions for breaches of the Ordinance were obtained. The breaches were mostly of a minor nature. Inspections were carried out regularly in all accessible areas in the Colony and as a result of such regular inspection there was seen a noticeable improvement in the general compliance with the law.

POST GRADUATE TRAINING BOARD

Meetings of the Board were held quarterly throughout the year.

Following the two successes mentioned in last year's report another former student of the Post Graduate Training Board obtained during 1960, the diploma of Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh.

Two surgical registrars completed their courses and, successfully passing the Board's examination, were issued with the appropriate certificate. Unfortunately, owing to a resignation there was no medical candidate for examination.

Two clinical assistants were appointed during the year.

The progress of the present five students, members of the Kenya Medical Department, in training at King George VI Hospital, Nairobi, has been satisfactory. All of these are expected to sit the examination of the Board during 1961.

The question of senior registrar posts and interchange of registrars with hospitals in other territories continued to be discussed and some little progress was achieved in solving this administratively difficult problem.

At the end of the year, Professor Ian Aird, Professor of Surgery of the Post Graduate Medical School, Hammersmith Hospital, University of London, met the Post Graduate Training Board and discussed its problem of post-graduate education in general and the provision of well-trained African doctors in particular. Professor Aird discussed the importance of characterizing the Nairobi hospitals as teaching hospitals and associating them with Makerere College within the University of East Africa.

NURSES AND MIDWIVES COUNCIL OF KENYA

The Nurses and Midwives Council of Kenya, which is an independent statutory authority, can look back on an interesting year's work.

The new training course for enrolled assistant nurses started in January. This replaces the two previous courses of training for assistant nurses Grade I and Grade II. The syllabus has been revised and is designed to ensure a uniformly high standard of assistant nurse. Reports from the hospitals show that this more advanced course is attracting better educated girls than were previously attracted by the old Grade II course.

During the year 43 girls started the course of training for Kenya registered nurses at the two recognized training schools, as compared with 19 in the preceding year.

The new syllabus for assistant midwifery training was completed, and students taking the two-year course have now to sit a preliminary examination after one year's training. The number of assistant nurses Grade II taking the one-year course of assistant midwifery training is increasing, but the need for trained midwives is still very great.

The committees continue to meet frequently as the volume of work increases, and the full Council continues to meet six times each year.

St. Clare's Hospital, Kaplong and the Consolata Hospital, Nkubu have been approved as training schools for the enrolled assistant nurse training.

During the year the following personnel were registered or enrolled with the Council:—

Registered Nurses	 174
Registered Midwives	 83
Registered Sick Children's Nurses .	 2
Registered Mental Nurses	 5
Enrolled Nurses	 2
Enrolled Assistant Nurses Grade I.	 43
Enrolled Assistant Nurses Grade II.	 94
Enrolled Assistant Midwives	 57
Enrolled Midwives	 1

The results of the examinations conducted by the Council during 1960 are:—

1960		nment Tr Schools	RAINING	Non Trai	Grand Total of Examin-		
1700	Passed	Failed	Total	Passed	Failed	Total	ees ees
Kenya Registered Nurse Final Examination Kenya Registered Nurse Pre-	9		9	1		1	10
liminary Examination Assistant Nurse Grade 1 Final	7	2	9	7	2	9	18
Examination	31	2	33	12	1	13	46
Assistant Nurse Grade 1 Pre- liminary Examination Assistant Nurse Grade 2 Final	35	2	37	6	1	7	44
Examination	41	15	56	49	20	69	125
Assistant Midwives Final Examination	14	4	18	47	12	59	77

Voluntary and Charitable Institutions

THE CENTRAL PROVINCE FIELD ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED BY THE BRITISH RED CROSS AND St. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE

The number of field officers was reduced during the year to seven. This reduction followed the cessation of the State of Emergency at the end of 1959. African district councils were given the opportunity of continuing this very useful field medical welfare service under their own control but with only one exception they were unable, for financial reasons, to agree to the proposal.

This means that by the end of the financial year, 1960/61, apart from one officer at Dagoretti Childrens' Centre in Kiambu District, only one field officer will remain and she also in the Kiambu District, whose African District Council has accepted the proposals for a gradual take-over of financial responsibility.

The Ministry contemplates alternative arrangements for the continuation of the service in the Fort Hall District where it is considered that two field officers are necessary to deal with the high incidence of malnutrition.

THE CHILD WELFARE SOCIETY OF KENYA

The Society has continued to extend its activities throughout the Colony and during the year a new branch of the Society was opened at Nyeri.

During the year also, the Society engaged a full-time paid childrens' officer who has had extensive experience with the London County Council. She is responsible for implementing the Colony-wide work of the Society and undertakes a good deal of case work in Nairobi.

The Society has been represented upon a working party convened by the Ministry to examine new legislation in the form of a Children and Young Persons Bill.

THE EDELVALE HOME FOR GIRLS

The work of this home as a place of safety and rehabilitation for female children has grown to the extent that the trustees have applied to the Government for a permanent lease of the land which was made available originally on a temporary basis, and have submitted plans for a phased programme of development which will include a place of safety, a nursery school and a training centre. For this work the trustees have applied and received approval in principle for a capital grant of 45 per cent of the total cost.

THE KENYA SOCIETY FOR DEAF AND DUMB CHILDREN

During the year the Society approached the Government with a view to organizing a survey of deafness throughout the Colony and correspondence on this subject was exchanged with the Colonial Office, which is expected to organize such a survey with financial aid from the Nuffield Foundation.

THE KENYA AFRICAN MORAL WELFARE ASSOCIATION

During the year a new society was formed by African members of the public, called the Kenya African Moral Welfare Association. The objects of this Association are twofold; first it aims to prevent prostitution by constitutional means, and it has approached the Government with a view to revising existing legislation on the subject; secondly it aims, by the formation of local committees and in conjunction with existing societies such as the Edelvale Home for Girls, to provide machinery for rehabilitation of juvenile prostitutes. The Association was formed at a public meeting to which the Ministry sent a representative. At this meeting an executive committee was formed upon which are represented the trustees of the Edelvale Trust.

Other voluntary bodies which are supported and encouraged by the Ministry are:—

The Kenya Society for the Blind.

The Kenya Society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis.

The Kenya Society for the Physically Handicapped.

The Kenya Council of Social Services—which is a co-ordinating body working on behalf of all voluntary and departmental bodies active in the field of social welfare.

Survey of the Needs of Children

A survey of the needs of children which was begun in 1959 was completed in December, 1960. Representatives of UNICEF have expressed considerable interest in this report, which is to be submitted at a later date to both UNICEF Headquarters and to the Colonial Office together with the Kenya Government's comments thereon.

The survey deals amongst other things with the various aspects of child health which have engaged the attention of the Medical Department throughout the country. It comments upon the general effort which has been directed towards the improvement and expansion of health measures, the emphasis being upon prevention as distinct from curative medicine. Perhaps the most important single problem in this respect is malnutrition. The child survey, rather than discovering new fields, points to the most urgent needs in the present circumstances on a priority basis, and it is intended that most of its recommendations should be integrated into a national health and welfare programme.

PUBLIC HEALTH

Staff—Recruitment and Training

Only two health inspectors were recruited from the United Kingdom during the year, whilst one African obtained the R.S.H. Certificate for General Overseas Appointments in mid-1960, at Salford and was appointed to take over the Kitui District. At the end of the year, the Division was still five short of establishment.

Four Africans—one from Government and three from local authorities—were in the United Kingdom at the end of 1960, studying for the General Overseas Certificate.

Training of health inspectors (East Africa) continued, but for the second year in succession, no new recruits were taken into the Training Centre. In the examination for third-year students in December, 11 were successful in obtaining the R.S.H. Certificate for Health Inspectors (East Africa).

The training of health assistants continued. Owing to the absence of first- and second-year student health inspectors, a much larger than normal intake was possible.

International Health

The Public Health (Port, Airport and Frontier Health) Rules, 1960, came into force on 22nd January, 1960 and operated smoothly.

Mombasa Port

There was an increase in tonnage dealt with at Kilindini Harbour during the year, but the number of dhows only increased slightly over the 1959 figure and is still much below previous years. The total number of passengers decreased by nearly 10,000 during the year, whilst the number of vaccinations also decreased greatly (over 50 per cent) as compared with previous years.

Food and second-hand clothing required much attention at the port, and complications were introduced by the demand for Export of Food "Health Certificates" by a number of countries, especially those in the Persian Gulf.

The number of Aedes aegypti mosquitos remained low and the index for the year was—0.22.

Nairobi Airport

Traffic increased at the airport but caused no undue exertion. The only emergency was caused by the large influx of Belgian Congo refugees, often without proper papers. A closely co-ordinated programme carried out in conjunction with the Kenya Branch of the British Red Cross Society and with local authorities, dealt satisfactorily with all problems and at no time did there appear any threat to the public health.

Close attention has continued to be given to the water supply and food premises at the airport.

The Aedes index for the airport remained below 1 per cent throughout the year.

Industrial Health Services

There was for several years an appointment of the Specialist Medical Officer in Industrial Diseases. This appointment has now lapsed but the Ross Institute of Tropical Hygiene have recently opened an office in Kampala to serve the East African Territories; this will help to some extent to offset the loss of the specific post, referred to.

Efforts have been made over the past year to foster development of health services within industry, particularly within that section dealing with the manufacture of foodstuffs.

Environmental Sanitation

There was a new spirit abroad during 1960 in this field. It has always been recognized that the sanitarian has to be a dedicated man not expecting much in the way of thanks or credit for his part in the fight against disease, but 1960, in Kenya has seen some change of heart in many districts and the sanitary staff are taking their places among the respected men of the tribes. Sanitary staff were encouraged to show how to educate and assist in the betterment of living conditions rather than to prosecute and badger people not complying with by-laws as yet not fully understood.

The return to this approach has resulted in some cases in criticism for lack of attention to some matters of public health importance but the intelligent public health worker in Kenya can see that there are so many diverse problems to solve, so many obviously bad conditions crying out for attention, and so little resources in the way of money and staff, that it is necessary to formulate a policy of priorities based on the resources available. To this end, there has been a general tendency to pay less attention to the time-consuming efforts to secure compliance with public health laws in the small foci of urban settlement and to endeavour to improve the basic sanitation in the rural homesteads and villages in which at least five-sixths of the African population live.

Work has continued in all areas, within the limits of staff and finance, on the general control of disease, on food premises and food production methods, routine inspections of all places of public health importance, and in the training and health education of both staff and the general public. Special attention was given to the following aspects of environmental sanitation.

WATER

Efforts to improve water supplies, to make water more readily available and of a better quality, and to collect or find water in the drier areas, have been one of the major operations resulting in a better understanding and better co-operation between health staff and the local peoples. The response to help given in this way is a growing tendency to seek and take advice in other matters. Water improvements have included hundreds of springs protected, wells dug and protected, dams cleared of weeds and improved extraction methods instituted, hydraulic rams to save long hauls up steep hills, storage tanks to reduce delay in collection of water, rock and roof catchments for rainwater, subsurface dams, and co-operation with ALDEV (African Land Development), in a mutual effort to improve water supplies. UNICEF-aided environmental sanitation programmes based on grants of materials for water supplies, latrine and washing facilities, have been commenced in Nyeri, Elgeyo-Marakwet and Tana River Districts. With the arrival of a W.H.O. sanitary engineer, programmes on similar lines are being drawn up for other districts.

LATRINES

Over most of the country this essential item of hygiene is still lacking in the majority of homesteads. Pit latrines are the normal solution, but aqua-privies are now well established in many areas, notably on the Mwea-Tebere Irrigation Scheme, in many labour lines on the Coast Province plantations, in some of the farm labour lines in the dairy and ranching areas, and especially in the Central Province in market places, police stations and beer shops. The position in the Central Province is completely different from the rest of the country. There the enforced discipline during the Emergency has resulted in almost 100 per cent construction and usage.

FIREPLACES

The indigenous tribal fireplace has always been a cause of concern to the health worker. Several attempts have been made to encourage the construction of safer, raised fireplaces, but only in Nandi is there any obvious acceptance of a cheap mud unit. The Kahithe type fireplace in stone has been adopted with minor amendments in some of the more permanent houses in Central Province, but whilst the richer man often builds a stone fireplace in his sitting-room, it is still usual to find the cooking taking place in a smaller kitchen on the traditional three stones.

SEWERAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL

The recent introduction of oxidation lagoons is encouraging the installation of sewerage systems in small towns and institutions where the cost of the more orthodox plant would be beyond local financial resources. Such lagoons are now working or in course of construction at Nairobi Airport (where a third pond has been added), Bungoma, Athi River, Galole, Eldoret, Ngong and Nanyuki, whilst oxidation channels are being introduced at Meru.

Housing

Housing, both rural and urban, continues to receive the closest attention. Standards in rural areas continue to improve, with assistance from health personnel, in the form of plans, advice and supervision, and parts of Central Province have now reached a standard which was undreamed of only a few years ago. The standard of housing in the labour lines of many farms still leaves a lot to be desired, and the housing attached to quarries and timber projects is still often appalling. However, the greatest and most urgent need is for more housing in the urban areas, especially in the larger towns.

With regard to the urban problem in particular, the Central Housing Board is still playing its part and loaned over £532,000 during the year; demand, however, still outstrips supply, especially for cheaply-rented or tenant-purchase houses. Several opportunities have been taken during the year to demonstrate the value of an aided self-help housing scheme, and papers, films, and talks have been used with many different groups in an effort to generate interest in such projects.

Forest Settlement

The number and size of forest settlements has been increasing due to the needs of the Forestry Department for additional labour and the necessity of absorbing landless families.

Each family is provided with a plot of land and technical advice is at their disposal regarding modern methods of agriculture and animal husbandry. In addition those employed as labourers for the development and maintenance of the forest plots are given a small supplementary wage which is augmented considerably from their smallholdings.

These villages have posed problems with regard to lay-out, size, design, ancilliary services and social requirements.

The Ministry of Health accepts responsibility for preventive and promotive health measures and discharges this responsibility through the local health authority, the Forestry Department providing dispensary services, with the assistance of the Medical Department.

Malnutrition is a considerable problem amongst these peoples despite relatively good conditions.

Nutrition

The Ministry has long been aware of malnutrition in the Colony and has made constant efforts to achieve improvements. Since 1956, special attention has been given to the more vulnerable groups—notably young children—and clinical and dietary information collected has revealed evidence of multiple deficiencies which may include those of calories, protein foods, iron, riboflavin, nicotinic acid, vitamin A and iodine. In addition, height and weight tables have underlined the fact that a poor nutritional status and subclinical malnutrition are widespread; this is particularly evident in the post-weaning period, where protein subnutrition gives rise to all stages of the kwashiorkor syndrome.

Diseases such as malaria, intestinal parasites and tuberculosis, where prevalent, have been shown to add their effect to that of the essentially inadequate dietary pattern, which is the root cause of these subnutritional states.

More scientific information is required on a wider basis than that of the small pilot surveys so far completed; with this in view, a W.H.O./UNICEF/F.A.O./ Kenya Government-sponsored nutrition and dietetic survey has been started and will continue over the next three to four years; at the end of this period it is hoped that sufficient knowledge will have been gained for it to be possible to advocate a scientifically planned food policy.

Services to Handicapped Children

Efforts being made by the voluntary societies, although little more than token in the present state of development of the health services are a useful contribution in the fields of both relief and prevention.

THE BLIND CHILD

A blind school, run by the Salvation Army at Thika, has nearly 200 boys and girls in residence: there is also a small Sunshine Home for blind pre-school children.

A trade training centre run by the Kenya Society for the Blind exists at Machakos having accommodation for 50 trainees mainly adults: here training is given in tanning and carpentry. The primary object is to establish rural tanneries run by blind persons. The first such tannery is now established at Kinunga near Nyeri.

In Nyanza Province a school for the blind has been established at Aluor Primary School which it is hoped will be expanded to accommodate 50 children. At the other end of the country at Meru St. Lucy's School has 46 blind children in residence.

In addition to these efforts to solve the problem posed by the already blind, the Kenya Society for the Blind, in conjunction with the Ministry, has organized a one-man mobile unit to visit schools, examine children and provide treatment where necessary; and to educate both teachers and children in the prevention of blindness particularly from trachoma. Numbers visited to date are:—

Children examined 30,706; treated 2,038; with trachoma 1,772; and with conjuctivitis 266.

Some 184 schools have so far been examined in the Machakos District.

THE DEAF CHILD

During the year the Society for Deaf and Dumb Children obtained supplies of an inexpensive hearing aid and has been supplying them at cost price to suitable deaf children. The deaf children are referred to the Government Ear, Nose and Throat Specialist in Nairobi for definitive diagnosis and assessment of the degree of deafness. Suitable cases are then fitted with hearing aids and given subsequent speech training. The continuing flow of cases coming forward from all over the country emphasizes the need for establishing residential accommodation.

At present temporary arrangements have been made to accommodate some children at Dagoretti Childrens' Centre whence they attend a voluntary weekly clinic at King George VI Hospital for speech training.

The Society is fostering interest in the problem and encouraging the development of educational facilities for deaf children, and is also encouraging teachers and others to undertake training in the teaching of deaf children. The problems of training are complicated by the multiplicity of languages.

THE CRIPPLED CHILD

The Association for the Physically Disabled of Kenya operates a hostel and training centre where disabled Africans are given accommodation and instruction in boot repairing by a qualified instructor. Others are accommodated there whilst undergoing a course of instruction in dressmaking at the Singer Dressmaking School. The Association assists such trained persons in setting up in business by the provision of working tools and an initial supply of materials. Maximum accommodation at the moment is 13.



Poliomyelitis—rehabilitation of a paralysed patient



Poliomyelitis—prevention with oral vaccine

School Health

The limitation of financial resources, both those available to the Central Government and to the local governments, has prevented the development of the type of school medical services such as exists in the United Kingdom. Instead, development has followed the American pattern in which reliance is placed upon the teachers detecting those children who appear to be in need of medical assistance, and their subsequent referral to a medical centre.

Certain local authorities have recently shown an interest in the further development of their school health services and in the initiating of schemes for the issuing of milk to school children.

Health Education

Production of education materials was continued during the year at about the usual levels. The demand for two-dimensional aids such as flannelgraphs and booklets continued to exceed that for three-dimensional models, due largely to the fact that there are now a considerable number of models distributed throughout the country; these are of course more durable than the paper aids. A further four titles were added to the list of flannelgraph cut-out books and, with the valuable co-operation of the Department of Information, a new picture booklet and several types of picture throw-aways were produced.

The scope of the photographic section of the unit was again expanded and early in the year a new technique of colour photography was introduced. This was used to illustrate the theme of "Better Living" in the Medical Department's exhibition at Mitchell Park and the Ministry of Health was awarded the first prize certificate and the Evelyn Baring Cup for the best government stand. This colour process is also being used with advantage in the production of colour slides and filmstrips for teaching.

The health education demonstration van and its crew spent a considerable time in the field during the year, largely on campaigns directed towards the eradication of tapeworm. From the "follow-up" surveys made, it would appear that these campaigns attained considerable success. The demonstration van, which was presented to us by UNICEF, has reached the end of its useful working life and is to be replaced by another and more suitable vehicle. Three more vehicles are to be given to us by UNICEF, in recognition of the success of this initial venture.

A considerable amount of elementary training in the principles, methods and techniques of health education has been carried out during the year. This teaching continued to be integrated into the curricula at the Medical Training Centre and at the Community Development Training Centre at Jeanes School. Extra-mural courses were also held at the Medical Training Centre and at Jeanes School and numerous introductory talks were given in the field.

Visitors from international agencies and from conferences held in Nairobi attended the unit during the year and expressed intense interest in the work being carried out.

As in previous years, the two main problems facing the unit are the shortage of staff and the inadequacy of the buildings in which the unit is housed.

Rural Health Services

These services are focused on the development of the rural health centre, about which a visiting consultant recently wrote as follows:—

"There is no doubt that the health centre scheme as it is developed in Kenya is a major contribution to the solution of some exceedingly difficult problems in health service provision in less well-developed countries." The health centre as developed in Kenya is an institution where all three branches of the health service, curative, preventative, and promotive are coordinated and from which these services radiate out into the homes and the community. This service is mobile as well as static and can thus be developed to satisfy the needs of the pastoral as well as the agricultural areas. There is, moreover, no intention of establishing a rigid pattern for the whole country as differing local conditions obviously need to be met in different ways.

The centres are controlled and managed by local health authorities the majority of which come under the jurisdiction of African district councils in whose areas the medical officer of health is responsible both for the curative and preventive health services. The service is simple though comprehensive and covers the needs of the people in all basic health problems from the control of epidemics, environmental sanitation, development of water supplies and domicilliary services, to simple diagnostic and therapeutic facilities. Finally, the health centre is a local institution and its team of workers live as well as work in the district and take part in all community activities.

During 1960, 14 health centres were completed together with six health subcentres, making the present total for the Colony of 130 centres. The fundamental difficulty of the further extension of these services lies in providing an adequate supply of trained staff of all grades.

Through the generosity of the Rockefeller Foundation the sum of £50,000 has been made available to Kenya to develop a Health Centre Training Unit where training, administration, and research may take place. It is proposed that this centre, which is to receive the assistance of W.H.O. and UNICEF by way of staff and equipment, will train teams of workers in three month courses. The institute which will cost approximately £40,000 is being sited adjacent to an African township some 12 miles from Nairobi where conditions are ideal for teaching. A further sum has been made available by the Rockefeller Foundation for epidemiological research to evaluate the work being done from health centres.

Communicable Diseases

SMALLPOX

In the 1959 annual report a histogram was published drawing attention to the fact that epidemics of smallpox followed shortly after periods of stress on the health services. The Emergency, centred on the Central and Rift Valley Provinces, was such a period. The accompanying small wave of smallpox (alastrim) is shown by the following table.

				t Valley rovince	Central Province	Colony Total
1955			• •		_	61
1956		• •		64	97	374
1957	• •	• •		364	182	806
1958		• •		335	158	735
1959	4 +	• •		132	44	316
1960	• •			22	25	151

During the latter four months of 1960, a small epidemic occurred in the Malindi Subdistrict of Coast Province. The primary case in this outbreak was a migrant from Dar es Salaam and the next two cases were direct contacts. It was not until the occurrence of the fourth case that the health authorities were notified, when routine measures were immediately organized, but by this time it was too late, and a total of 36 secondary cases occurred before the outbreak was finally controlled.

The population of the subdistrict is approximately 50,000 giving an attack rate of 72 per 100,000 and this despite vaccination of 47,000 (i.e. 94 per cent). The failure to suppress the outbreak was due to the failure to achieve early notification of the primary case and to the low proportion of successful vaccinations. This failure rate, from sample figures, would appear to have been 25 to 50 per cent and illustrates the difficulty of mounting a successful vaccination campaign in the adverse circumstances of tropical rural areas.

The total incidence of smallpox in 1960 was 151 cases (five deaths). The distribution being:—

		Total	Deaths	Attack Rate Per 100,000
Coast	 	54	3	8.8
Nairobi City	 	17		7.62
Central	 • •	25	**************************************	1.5
Rift Valley	 	22	1	2.7
Nyanza	 	15		0.68
Southern	 	14	1	1.8
N.F.P.	 	4		1.36
Colony	 	151	5	2.3

The attack rate for Nairobi City was in fact lower than the figure shown, which is the result of a calculation based on the normal population at any one time and which made no allowance for the considerable changeover of the population during the course of a year. Rural populations are by comparison much more static.

The total vaccine issued during the year amounted to 1,830,789 doses, sufficient for approximately one-third of the population.

POLIOMYELITIS

The prediction that a further epidemic of poliomyelitis would commence in the last quarter of 1959 and extend through 1960 unfortunately came true, and a dramatic rise in cases occurred during the last few weeks of 1959.

These portents indicated the probability of an epidemic of poliomyelitis far greater than had occurred in previous years and one which would involve at least 2,000 cases.

On this assumption, and knowing that it would be a type I virus confining itself mainly to young children, the decision to use live attenuated oral poliomyelitis vaccine was made as the only practical solution, following consultation with various authorities including experts from the South African Foundation for Poliomyelitis. Field campaigns were organized on a district basis after a pilot trial in one specific district.

The basis of the campaign was that the vaccine would be given free to children under five and that a charge of Sh. I would be made to those over five so that the costs of the vaccine would be met.

The decision to treat children up to five free was made because the disease is essentially an infantile poliomyelitis in Kenya—some 90 per cent of cases occuring in the under sixes.

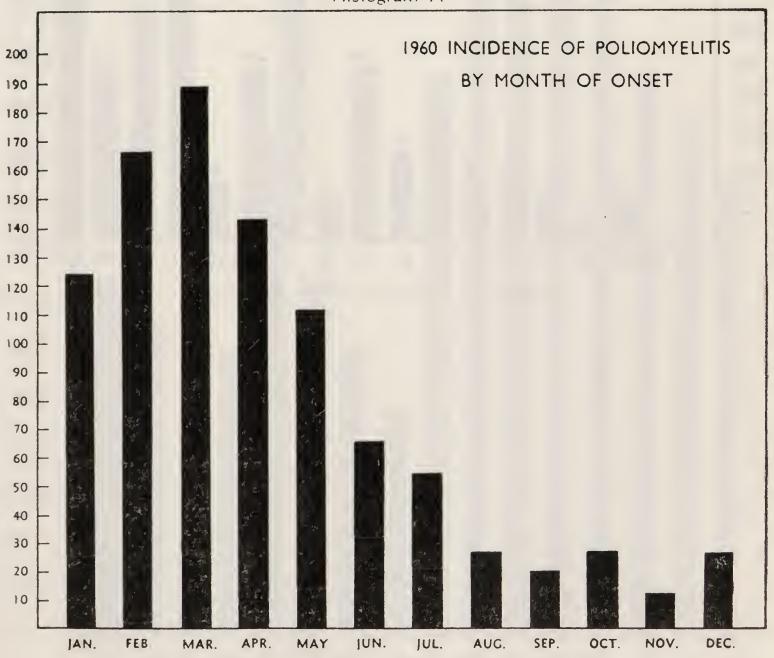
Some 1\frac{3}{4} million doses of vaccine were exhibited, commencing in February and ending in December: of these 610,061 doses were given to children under six years old. The estimated Colony population of this latter group is 1.3 million.

A provisional analysis of returns reveals that during the six calendar months subsequent to the vaccine campaigns a total of 137 cases occurred amongst the non-vaccinated child population as compared with 59 cases amongst the vaccinated children. These figures give attack rates of 19.6 and 9.6 per 100,000 for children under six years of age.

Throughout the year a total of 1,003 cases occurred to which should be added the 138 cases occurring during October, November and December, 1959. This is less than the number of cases originally predicted; nevertheless this is the highest annual total on record with a prevalence rate of 16 per 100,000 population.

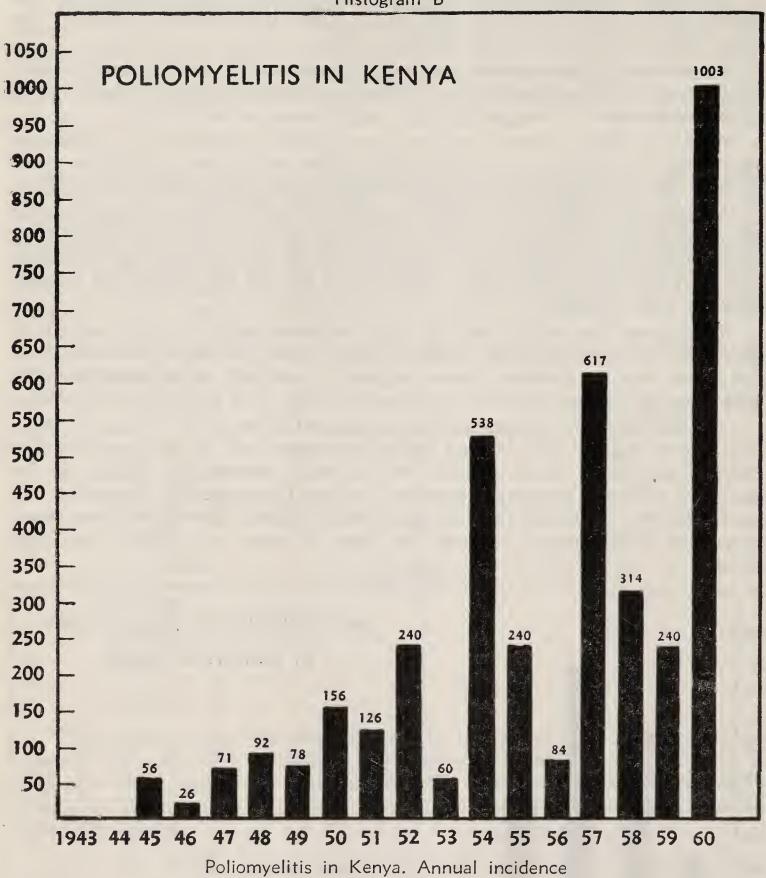
The 1957 epidemic commenced in November/December of 1956 and rose to a peak by mid-June, 1957, waning during the second half of the year. The 1960 epidemic was much more explosive in its onset commencing during the last quarter of 1959 and showing a dramatic increase (October: 27; November: 43; and December: 68) to 189 cases in the month of March. Thereafter the epidemic waned and from August onwards less than 30 cases per month were being reported.

Histogram A



Poliomyelitis in Kenya-1960. Monthly incidence

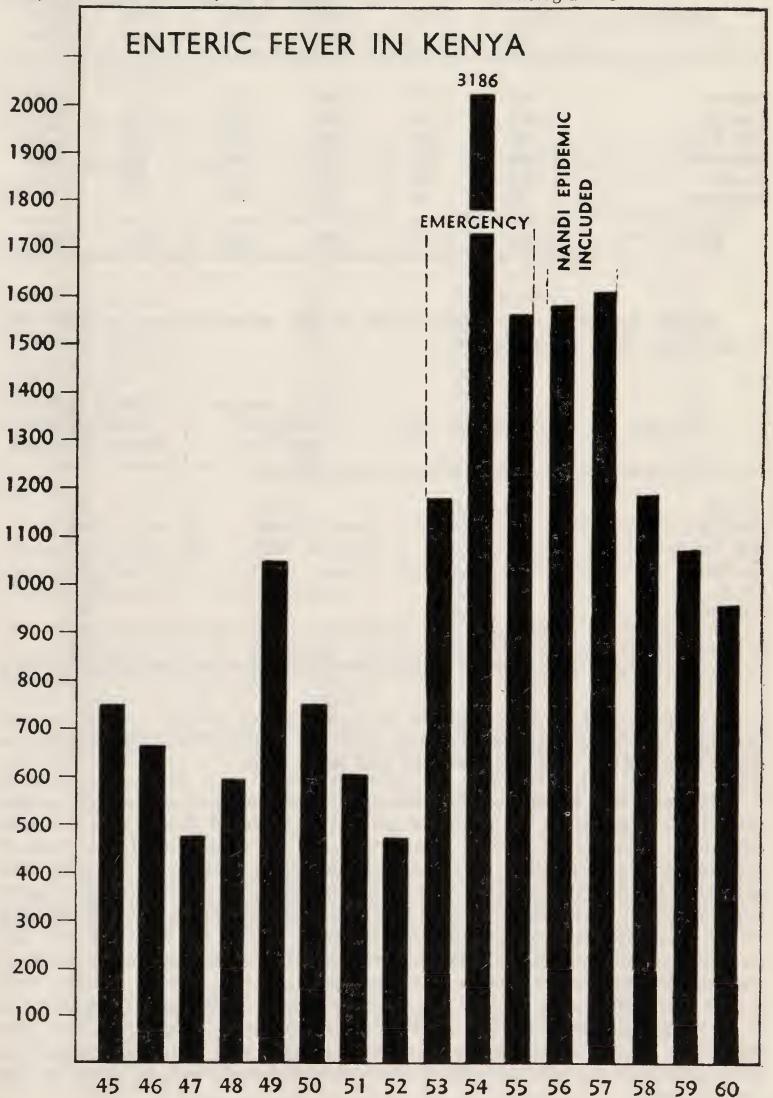
Histogram B



ENTERIC DISEASES—TYPHOID

The downward trend of typhoid notifications, in the post-Emergency period, noted in last year's annual report, continues, with a total of 988; this is the first year that a three figure total has been reported. Once again analysis of the figures reveals that a majority of cases (615) occurred in Central Province. This gives an attack rate of 33 per 100,000 in Central Province, compared with 16 per 100,000 for the Colony as a whole.

Histogram C



Enteric Fever in Kenya. Annual incidence

Tuberculosis

The annual incidence of tuberculosis, based on the weekly notifications of infectious diseases compiled by medical officers of health, is given below, by provinces, for each of the five years 1956-1960.

Province	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	Total 1956– 1960
Nyanza Central Rift Valley Southern Coast Northern	567 2,967 337 340 765 80	1,057 3,143 545 551 784 94	1,141 3,888 599 730 925 104	737 3,937 643 600 851 100	753 3,544 610 760 314 123	4,255 17,479 2,734 2,981 4,139 501
Kenya	5,056	6,174	7,387	6,868	6,604	32,089

Annual incidences per 100,000 based on the estimated population for the middle year, 1958, are as follows:—

Province		Population, 1958	Average Annual Incidence, 1956/1960	Average Annual Incidence per 100,000 1956/1960
Nyanza Central Rift Valley Southern Coast Northern	• •	2,170,000 1,750,000 766,000 750,000 580,000 220,000	851 3,496 547 596 828 100	39 200 71 80 143 46
Kenya		6,236,000	6,418	103

The provincial incidence indices as shown above parallel, in general, the provincial prevalence figures emerging from the W.H.O./UNICEF tuberculosis surveys carried out in Kenya over the past three years.

Although it is appreciated that the tuberculosis incidence and infection rates must to a large extent relate to the general standard of living and of health education, nevertheless specific measures aimed at reduction of the pool of infection and at protection of uninfected individuals such as BCG vaccination are being steadily implemented. Laboratory facilities for the control of hospital and domiciliary treatment by means of sputum cultures and drug sensitivity tests of the bacilli isolated are extending satisfactorily. During the whole of 1957 just over 500 sensitivity tests were done on strains of tubercle bacilli isolated from patients; by the end of 1960 it was possible to do this number of tests each month. For some years now a token amount (some 20,000 doses annually) of BCG vaccine has been made available free of charge to local authorities: this measure is proving acceptable and the more advanced and more highly organized local authorities are now purchasing their vaccine requirements in excess of this free allocation.

A series of investigations under Medical Research Council protocol have been under way in East Africa for the past five years, directed primarily at finding an effective, safe, acceptable and inexpensive alternative to para-aminosalicylic acid as a companion drug for isoniazid in the treatment of tuberculosis. A recent trial (reported in Tubercle for December, 1960), has shown considerable promise that this aim has been achieved. If this promise is substantiated by the results of the current out-patient investigations the saving to the drug vote will amount to some £20,000 per year.

An international seminar on tuberculosis in African countries, attended by some 45 delegates met in Nairobi in November, 1960, under the joint aegis of C.C.T.A. and W.H.O.

CEREBROSPINAL MENINGITIS

Total cases reported for the year were 561 with a distribution as follows:—

		No. of Cases	Population	Prevalence Rate per 100,000
Central Province Rift Valley Nyanza Province Southern Province Coast Province Northern Frontier Nairobi City		98 162 266 26 7 1	1·8 million ·80 ,, 2·18 ,, ·74 ,, ·60 ,, ·21 ,, ·22 ,,	5·4 20·00 12·00 3·7 1·1 ·48 ·45
Colony	• •	561	6.55 ,,	8.56

These figures show, as compared with 1959, a considerable reduction in Central Province (160), a fair increase in the Rift Valley Province (111) and almost double the number of cases in Nyanza Province (135). The figures in brackets indicate the 1959 incidence.

It will be seen that there is a high attack prevalence in the Rift Valley Province; of the total of 162 cases, 95 came from the highlands settled areas. In Nyanza Province out of the total of 266 cases, 166 occurred in Kericho District which again is a part of the highlands area.

These figures have to be interpreted with caution as there is a considerable movement into and out of the highlands area of the Rift Valley Province by migrating labourers. The correct prevalence is probably lower than the figure shown which relates to the population estimated to be living there at any one time.

LEPROSY

A total of 1,470 cases were notified, of which 1,188 were notified from Nyanza Province reflecting the fact that of the estimated 25,000 cases in the Colony some 20,000 inhabit Nyanza Province.

The breakdown by Nyanza Province districts is as follows: -

Central Nyanza			• •	• •	• •	724
Elgon Nyanza		• •		• •		161
North Nyanza	• •					199
South Nyanza						96
Kericho	• •					8

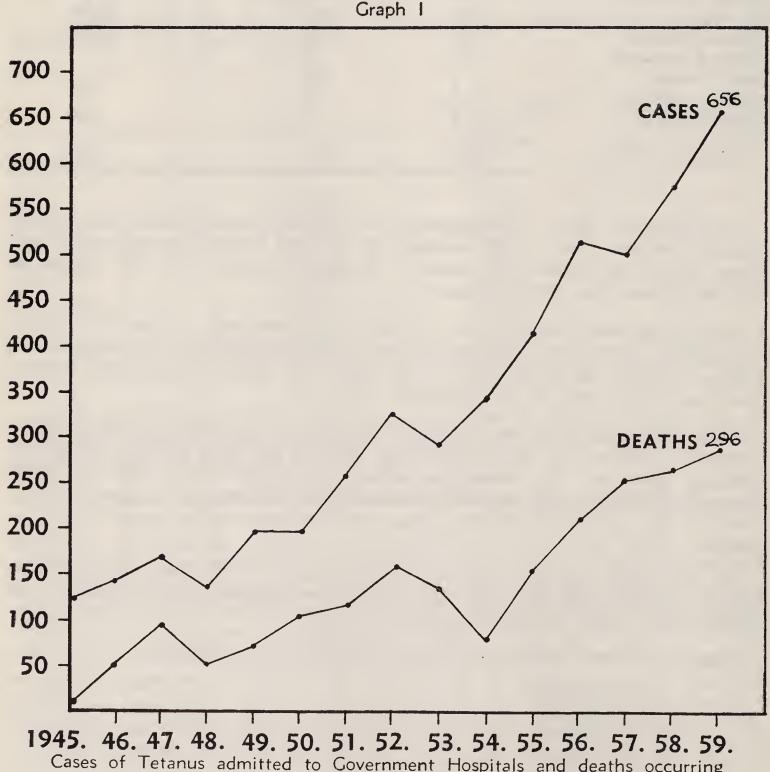
Whilst the breakdown by provinces is as follows:—

Nyanza Province				• •	1,188
Central Province	• •		• •		27
Rift Valley Province	• •				16
Southern Province					62
Coast Province		• •			177

Central Nyanza District appears to be the most heavily infected area and some 10,000 cases have come under the attention of the health services. Of this total two-thirds are regular attenders at clinics whilst one-third appear to default.

TETANUS

Despite its apparent lack of importance as a cause of morbidity the importance of tetanus as a cause of mortality is revealed by studying hospital statistics. In the past, hospital statistics indicated that the proportion of cases of tetanus per 100 hospital admissions was rising steadily and that the case mortality rate had remained relatively unchanged over the past ten years, whilst the ratio of hospital deaths due to tetanus, stated as a proportion of all hospital deaths, has risen steadily.



Cases of Tetanus admitted to Government Hospitals and deaths occurring 1945-1959

Further analysis suggests that tetanus is predominately of the neonatal variety in Coast Province, but mainly of school age children throughout Central and Nyanza Provinces. These three Provinces are mainly agricultural areas (as opposed to pastoral) and have the highest prevalence of tetanus.

Investigation into the cause of the predominance of the neonatal variety at the coast reveals that it is due to the practice of the Giriama tribe who rub dirt and ashes from the hut floor into the freshly-cut umbilical cord.

It is hoped to overcome this, without attempting to disrupt the tribal custom, by advocating the use of sterilized ashes taken directly from the embers.

Arrangements have been made for the supply of tetanus toxoid at approximately a penny per dose, to local health authorities, for use for mass prophylaxis of those most at risk.

BILHARZIA

The problem of bilharzia divides itself into two separate and distinct parts: that of endemic bilharzia and the problem of bilharzia in association with irrigation schemes.

The map below shows the distribution of bilharzia and a rough assessment is that approximately 1,000,000 persons are infected with schistosomiasis. It will be seen from the map that distribution of S. haematobium is mainly along the coast and in an extension along the Tana River. S. haematobium is however also found in the area of the Galana River, in the vicinity of Nairobi, and in the Kano Plains. S. mansoni is found in the Kerio Valley and the Central Province whilst the double infection is found in Kamba territory, the Kano Plains and Taveta.

In general it might be said that S. haematobium occurs at the lower altitudes, the double infection at altitudes between 2,000 and 5,000 feet, and over 5,000 feet only S. mansoni.

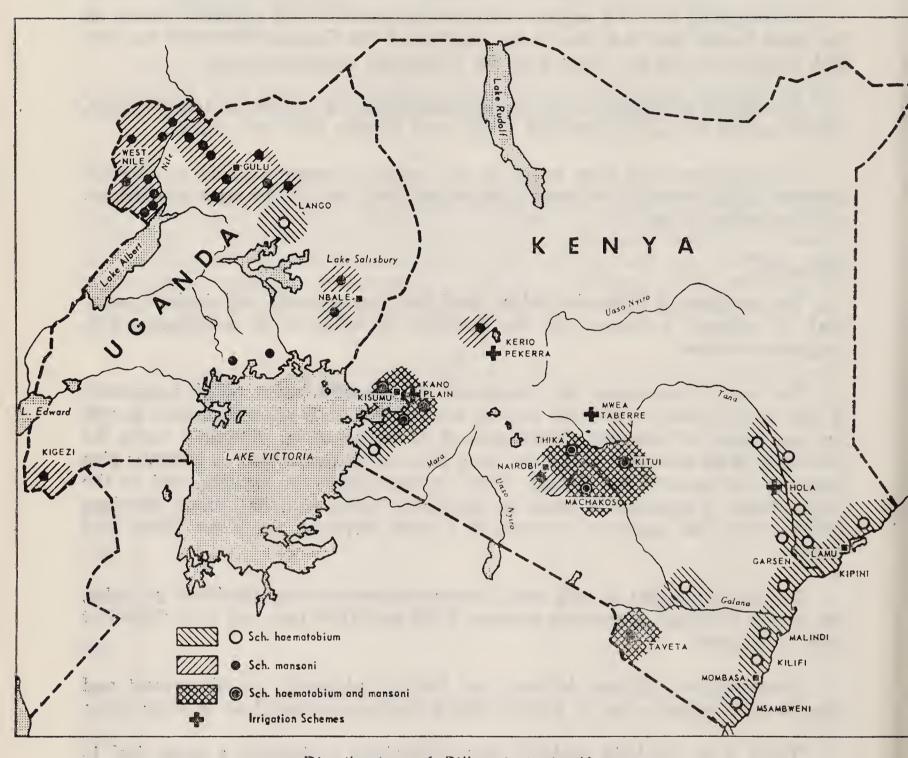
Biomphalaria, Bulinus bulinus, and Bulinus physopsis are all present and there is also evidence that B. forskali may be an intermediate host in some areas.

There is as yet little evidence that bilharziasis contributes a great deal to serious morbidity and mortality rates, but it must of course aggravate the general picture of subnutrition.

With regard to irrigation schemes there are at present three main ones, namely those at Mwea Tebere, Perkerra and Galole, but it is probable that irrigation schemes in general will extend in scope and magnitude. As such schemes usually develop in potential bilharzia areas, three main problems are posed.

- (a) The development of irrigation schemes in potential bilharzia areas, i.e. where the intermediate host is present and persons from known bilharzia areas are introduced.
- (b) The development of irrigation schemes in known bilharzia areas and the introduction of persons from bilharzia-free areas.
- (c) The development of irrigation schemes in known bilharzia areas for local inhabitants.

The former presents the problem of the probable introduction of bilharzia into areas currently free; the second the problem of exposing adults to first infection possibly at a later date than usual with a consequent impact on the normal process of immunity development. The third poses the problem of possible increase in intensity of endemic bilharzia.



Distribution of Bilharziasis in Kenya

These problems can be solved as evidenced by the Miwani Sugar Estates located to the north-east of the Kano Plains, where by the use of efficient irrigation systems, involving pipes for the main distribution, rationing of water supplies, modern-type machinery and herbicides, bilharzia is practically non-existent.

At Perkerra control over the irrigation scheme was advocated from the inception of the scheme.

Biomphalaria was discovered and the canal system was treated with copper sulphate; a vigilance service is now maintained and copper sulphate applied as and when indicated.

At Galole where an irrigation scheme has been developed in a known endemic area and an immune people introduced, a vigilance service is also maintained.

At Mwea Tebere an area where previously only a small focus was known there has been a considerable increase in the incidence of *S. mansoni* infection over the past three years. The infection appears to be confined mainly to three villages, two within the scheme and one outside the boundary.

The table below shows the incidence of bilharzia at Mwea Tebere over the past five years and reflects a considerable increase in bilharzia over the years despite measures which have been applied. Biomphalaria and Bulinus have been found in considerable numbers throughout the scheme and of 17,000 specimens collected between March and May, 1959, 282 were found to be shedding cercariae.

The installation of proper water supplies, laundry and sanitation facilities are imperative if risks of pollution and infection through the system is to be curtailed to a minimum.

Table on Bilharzia Cases, 1956-1960

Mwea Tebere Investigation

		No. of Persons	No. of Cases Discovered					
		Examined	Haematobium	Mansoni	Total			
1956		 1,144		15	15			
1957		 609	2	21	23			
1958		 2,087	1	14	15			
1959		 4,924	3	102	105			
1960		 1,592		182	182			
To	OTAL	 10,356	6	334	340			

MALARIA

Malaria continues to be one of the most important endemic diseases, and is still the cause of much morbidity and mortality.

Control measures are largely limited to the urban areas where they are in the main effective. Rural areas however remain uncontrolled except for specific areas such as Nandi, Shimba Hills Settlement Scheme, and the environs of Malindi where control measures have been instituted. The Nandi scheme, based on an initial exhibition of daraprim and followed by residual insecticide spraying continues to cause anxiety. A malariometric and parasite survey carried out by W.H.O. indicated that Malaria transmission was recurring and that epidemics were a possibility. The exhibition of darachlor on a fairly extensive scale in order to obviate the problem maintained the *status quo*. The incidence of malaria in the Turbo-Kipkarren area which was included in the original scheme, has also increased considerably during the year under review.

With regard to the Shimba Hills area, control is effected through the fortnightly exhibition of darachlor and appears to be successful, whilst in the Malindi area it is proposed to attempt a combined insecticide programme with Camoprim drug exhibition.

In certain rural areas particularly in Nyanza Province the irregular construction of fish ponds in a very laudable attempt to raise the protein intake of the inhabitants appears to be giving rise to a marked increase in the incidence of malaria.

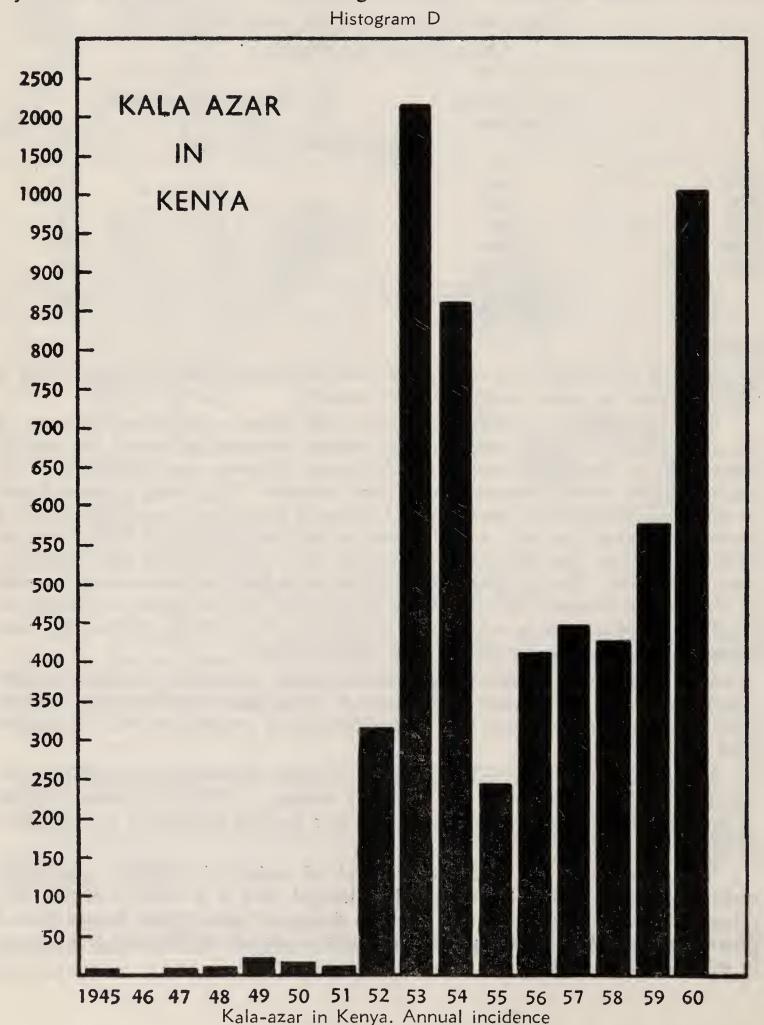
The question of the attempted control of malaria in endemic and holoendemic areas is subject to considerable thought, and it is considered that any attempted programme should rely on both drugs and insecticides. Before such a programme is undertaken a study of the results of malaria eradication programmes in other areas is essential.

KALA-AZAR

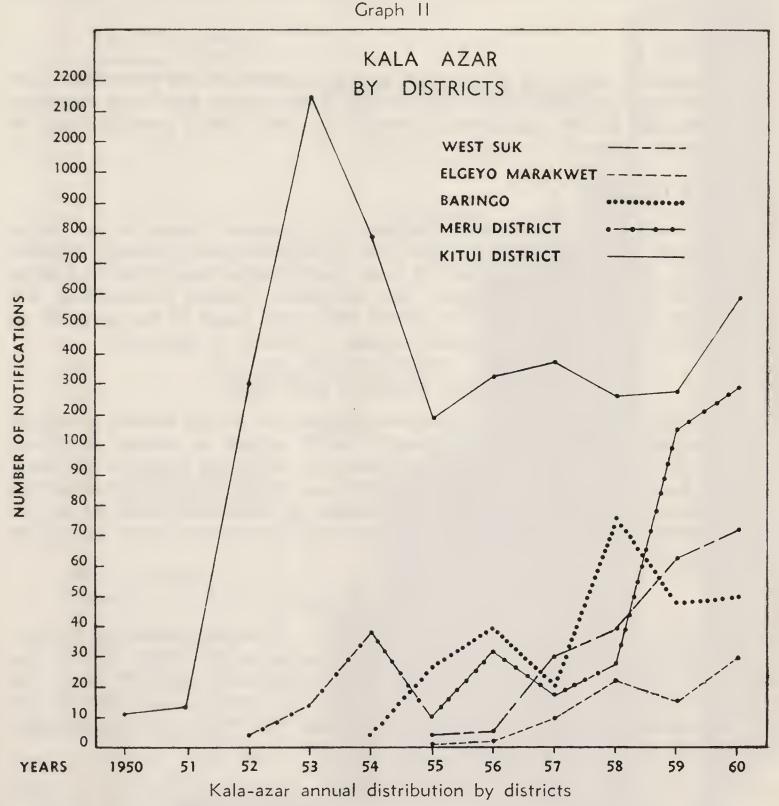
Kala-azar is a disease of post-War II importance in Kenya and much has been published regarding its field epidemiology including that of a major epidemic in Kitui District during 1952/1953/1954. Therapeutic and entomological research continue whilst, at present, a most important research project on the use of a vaccine is undergoing field trials.

The main epidemiological interest lies in the fact that whereas previously Kala-azar was believed to be confined to the Northern Frontier Province, it is now endemic in those districts which lie directly to the south of that province.

These districts all have a similar ecology and their peoples are mainly pastoral. Most of this country lies below 3,500 ft. and is dry and arid, being covered by scrub and thorn bush. The average rainfall is under 30 inches.



The incidence of the disease as shown in the histogram D has increased steadily from 1955 onwards. This picture is reflected in all the affected districts, as reference to the graph No. II reveals. The graph and histogram reflect an exponential curve at an accelerated rate and this picture follows closely on that seen in the Kitui District which lead to the epidemic of 1952/1953/1954.



SLEEPING SICKNESS

Reference to the table of notifiable infectious diseases (see statistics) will show that 59 cases were reported during 1960. This was a slight increase.

Of these cases six were notified from South Nyanza District, one from Kericho District (probably contracted in South Nyanza) and the remainder (52) from Central Nyanza District.

With regard to the South Nyanza cases these were discovered through an extensive survey involving 10,000 people, and therefore reflect the almost complete control established over T. gambiense trypanosomiasis in this area.

With regard to Central Nyanza an assessment of the problem is more difficult since a proportion of the cases arose from the lake shore in the north-west area of the district and it is not known whether the infection was obtained in Kenya or Uganda—the patients being fishermen.

The tsetse eradication programme continues satisfactorily and the future programme envisages control of the remainder of the South Nyanza lake shore and the North shore of the Kavirondo Gulf.

The possible infiltration of T. rhodesiensi by the vector G. palidipes is under close watch.

FILARIASIS

The general survey on the Coast is nearly completed. Night bloodslides have been examined from more than 5,000 people; 1,500 animals have been examined and more than 45,000 mosquitoes dissected. The only filarial parasite found in man was W. bancrofti.

VENEREAL DISEASES

Study of the hospital returns indicates that venereal disease is now being treated as an out-patient disease rather than an in-patient one. It is also probable that due to the increasing numbers of rural health centres established and being established throughout the country the out-patient returns at hospitals will continue to drop, but the extent to which this is the result of the deviation of the patients from hospitals to health centres is difficult to determine.

PERSONAL HEALTH SERVICES

Although the number of new doctors registered in Kenya showed a marked decrease from 1959 there was an apparent small increase in doctors in private practice. The number of general practitioners in the larger towns is adequate. There is however room for many more practitioners in the smaller centres serving the rural areas, which at present are dependent on hospital out-patient departments, health centres and dispensaries run by the Government, local authorities and missions.

Out-patient Services

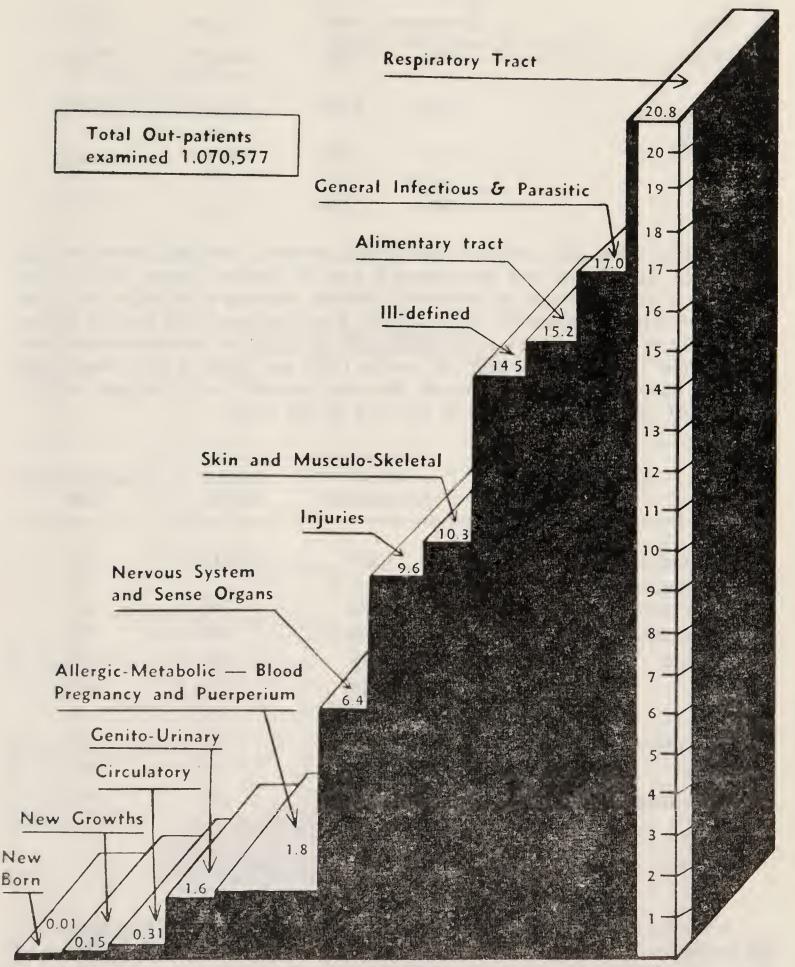
For the third year in succession the number of patients attending Government hospital out-patient departments and dispensaries has risen, and for the first time since 1956, when the Nairobi General Dispensary was still run by the Medical Department, has exceeded a million. The increase over 1959 is 14.3 per cent which is approximately 12 per cent more than would be expected from the natural increase in population.

New African Out-patient Attendances

1957	 		991,454
1958	 	• •	894,411
1959	 	• •	992,652
1960	 		1,134,675

Major out-patient morbidity in Government hospitals is shown at histogram E. Figures are not available for out-patient attendances at all the health centres and dispensaries run by local authorities, missions and industrial concerns. However as an example, the Medical Officer of Health, Fort Hall District, which has a population of approximately 350,000, reported 115,049 new cases attending three health centres and 11 dispensaries. From this it would appear that the equivalent of about one-third of the population made use of the Local Authority out-patient services.

Histogram E



A histogram showing by disease groups the principal causes of morbidity among out-patients at Government hospitals

In-patient Services

There was no major expansion in hospital beds during the year. In Mombasa the ward block constructed as the third phase in the Coast Province General Hospital was opened; this gave more space but only a few extra beds, for beds had had to be placed on the verandahs of the earlier ward block to meet the needs of the patients requiring admission.

The total number of in-patients treated was the highest since 1957, i.e. since charges were introduced for in-patient treatment in the basic wards.

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Year			European	Asian	African	Total
1957	• •	• •	 912	2,526	168,852	172,290
1958			 958	3,593	150,721	155,272
1959			 798	2,792	150,132	153,722
1960	• •		 832	3,050	153,142	157,024

There has been little change in the disease pattern of hospital admissions and deaths. See table below and histograms F and G. Normal labour (10,024) was again the commonest cause of admission although showing a reduction of 16 per cent (2,014 cases) compared to 1959 (12,038). Broncho-pneumonia was the highest single cause of death with a case mortality rate of 19 which showed no significant change from 1959. Tetanus with 303 deaths (327) was again a surprisingly high cause of hospital mortality although the case mortality rate dropped slightly from 46 per cent during 1959, to 42 per cent during 1960.

Disease	No. of Admissions	No. of Deaths	Case Mortality Rate
Broncho-pneumonia	7,507	1,411	19
Gastro enteritis between 4 weeks and 2 years	5,024	746	15
Respiratory tuberculosis	4,549	470	10
Kwashiorkor	1,415	409	28
Tetanus	717	303	42
Malaria	10,378	303	3
Lobar pneumonia	4,515	296	7
Meningitis	884	230	26
Whooping cough	2,574	223	9

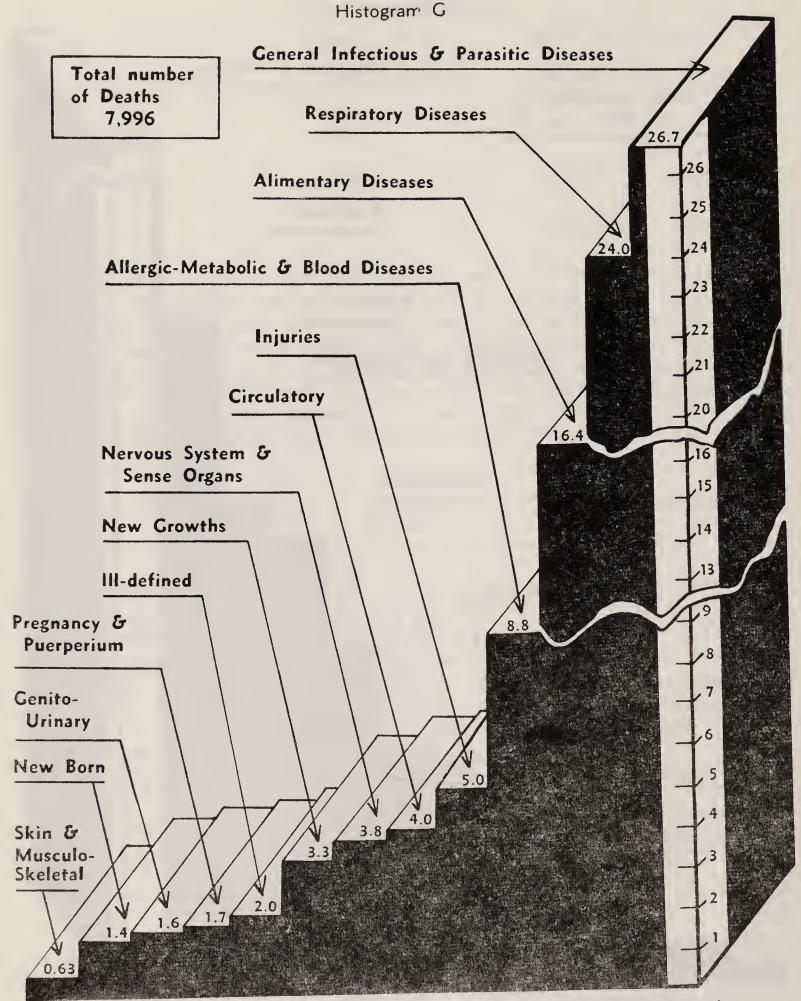
A list of diseases which caused more than 200 hospital deaths.

A special mention should be made of trauma; the accompanying table reveals the importance of trauma and diseases arising therefrom in the total picture of illness and diseases within the country. It is a particularly important group as it is so often avoidable. For example, at the Coast coconut climbers fall through not using safety harnesses, in another district supracondylar fractures are noticed in children during the mango seasons; burns and scalds occur amongst children from unprotected fires and boiling liquids. Tetanus again should be entirely preventable by the use of tetanus toxid. This group of diseases represents a field in which health education measures are receiving increasing emphasis.

On the therapeutic side, a £55,000 project for a Rehabilitation Unit is at present under construction from C.D. & W. funds; it is hoped that this unit will be opened in 1962 and that a doctor with special training in all aspects of rehabilitation will be in charge.

Histogram F General Infectious & Parasitic Total Admissions 152,995 Respiratory 18 Injuries 17-16.6 16 Pregnancy and Puerperium 15-14 13 -**Alimentary** 12 -11.2 11-10-III-defined 9 Skin-Musculo-Skeletal Nervous System and Sense Organs 7 -Genito-Urinary 5.6 Allergic-Metabolic Blood 5 Circulatory & New Growths New Born 1.2 0.33

A histogram showing by disease groups the principal causes of morbidity among in-patients at Government hospitals



A histogram showing by disease groups the principal causes of mortality among in-patients at Government hospitals

Laboratory Services

MEDICAL RESEARCH LABORATORY, NAIROBI

A large proportion of the work of this laboratory is still concerned with the routine clinical examinations for King George VI Hospital and its ancillary services in Nairobi District. A new wing of the laboratory over the Wellcome Library was brought into use during 1960 and it has been devoted to routine haematology, bacteriology and parasitology. It also affords the accommodation for the reception of out-patients and all specimens. A Receptionist was appointed to this clinical laboratory and she is responsible for all the routine records. The Medical Research Laboratory has accommodated a number of visiting research workers. The World Health Organization and Medical Research Council Tuberculosis Teams have continued their work throughout the year. Drs. Foy and Kondi of the Wellcome Trust, continued their haematological research projects. Members of the Bilharzia Research Unit of the Medical Research Council were also accommodated in the laboratory and bilharzial chemotherapeutic trials have been conducted in collaboration with the King George VI Hospital. Support has been given to the various chemotherapeutic teams working at King George VI Hospital on cancer problems, in particular those associated with the Sloan Kettering Institute.

It was decided, with the assistance of the British Empire Cancer Campaign and Makerere College, to establish a cancer registry at the Medical Research Laboratory.

Apart from housing and offering ancillary services to the research workers detailed above, support has been given to research projects formulated by officers of the Kenya Medical Department working at King George VI Hospital and other centres. Consideration has been given to the provision of a separate research committee to tailor existing laboratory facilities to future research projects.

To enable this division to plan staff requirements for the increase of current work and the possibility of expansion both in routine clinical pathology and the public health laboratory services, it was decided to discontinue the training of laboratory assistants and concentrate for a few years on building up the microscopist cadre. It was considered that the existing number of laboratory assistants was sufficient to provide candidates for the training and localization of technologists and also the provision of senior personnel in provincial and district laboratories.

The Specialist Pathologist carried out surveys in hospitals in Nairobi and advised on a number of problems concerned with infections in these hospitals.

The demands for public health laboratory services have increased greatly over the last few years and serious consideration was given to expanding the Public Health Division within the laboratory services to meet these requests.

The organization of a Blood Transfusion Centre for Nairobi was completed and this is now accommodated at the Medical Research Laboratory. An executive officer, dealing with the donor organization, has been appointed. It is anticipated that this transfusion centre will receive blood from all donor sessions in Nairobi. It will group all such blood and carry out any other necessary tests, and then issue it to the various blood banks in Nairobi. It is hoped that its activities will be extended to all other centres in Kenya carrying out blood transfusion and that interesting serological data will arise from this routine work.

PROVINCIAL AND DISTRICT LABORATORIES

The work in these laboratories has increased considerably over the last few years and all the laboratory assistants qualifying during the year from the Medical Training Centre were posted to provincial or district hospitals in an attempt to build up the facilities which must be available to match the development of clinical standards in these hospitals.

Radiological Services

This was more a year of consolidation than expansion. X-ray facilities were however extended to Wesu where the equipment was supplied by UNICEF, Tambach where the African District Council provided an X-ray set and radiographic assistant and Kilifi where a set was very kindly donated. By the end of the year a new department at Kitui was nearing completion.

The Department at King George VI Hospital continued to expand its work. The medical officer in charge was promoted to the rank of Specialist. In this capacity he has not only been responsible for the department at King George VI Hospital, but has organized the countrywide service. There are now only a few hospitals where patients cannot either be X-rayed or reach an X-ray unit on a day trip. The mobile unit has proved of great value around Nairobi. It has made regular visits to Machakos, Kiambu, Thika and Fort Hall hospitals providing an essential adjunct to the tuberculosis service.

ADMINISTRATION

Development

The year saw the end of the 1957-60 development programme and the beginning of the 1960-63 plan. However, due to the extreme shortage of capital the Treasury had to rule that works belonging to the 1957-60 plan and not completed on 30th June, 1960, would be financed from funds for the 1960-63 programme. The works carried forward led to many delays in getting the new plan under way. However, during the year a considerable building programme was completed or in hand. At Nandi Hills, where local tea interests made a generous contribution of £12,000, a 30-bed hospital costing £30,000 was half completed by the end of the year.

An extension of the Mary Griffin Nurses Home in Nairobi was almost complete at the end of the year. Mr. M. P. Shah made a gift of £12,000 towards the total cost of £28,000. The new wing provides 68 bedroom/study units with communal sanitary services, laundry and a housekeeper"s flat, and is intended primarily for K.R.N. students and staff nurses.

At Port Reitz, rebuilding of the old ex-R.A.F. tuberculosis and isolation hospital was completed at a cost of £38,000. The new buildings consist of six wards with 96 beds, administration and clinic block, and a new kitchen and laundry with steam cooking and water heating. The relative cheapness compared to Nandi Hills was partly due to some of the services being already existent. However, credit must be given to the use of prefabricated concrete construction and a very simple open design which is proving excellent for the coastal climate.

There was considerable expansion at the Medical Research Laboratory in Nairobi. The extension to the Wellcome Research Library which was started in 1959 was completed, making an excellent library with ample book space for the foreseeable future. On the first floor above the library a new diagnostic laboratory has relieved pressure on the previously crowded laboratory space. An efficient new animal house was completed, with space for the variety of animals and poultry required. A new laboratory for the Government Chemist, built at a

cost of £28,000 was nearing completion. This will give the Government Chemist excellent facilities and will release further much needed accommodation for the Medical Research Laboratory.

At King George VI Hospital the new Sterile Preparation Unit was completed. Although situated at King George VI Hospital this unit produces sterile solutions for the whole Colony. In accordance with a request from the General Nursing Council the children's wards are being cubicled and the first two had been completed by the end of the year. The design and finish of these wards with their bright colouring has received very favourable comment from visitors.

The Better Living Institute constructed at a cost of £20,000 with funds provided by the Nuffield Trust was built at Kitui. At the end of the year it was ready to take the first batch of students.

An operating theatre suite on the same plan as that used in 1959 at Machakos is being built at Nyeri, and at the end of the year it was nearing completion. Less lavish operating theatres were built to replace inadequate buildings at Kapsabet and Kerugoya where a new out-patient department is also under construction.

At Galole, district centre of Tana River District, a new hospital of 44 beds was built by utilizing two Arcon structures which had formed part of the existing temporary hospital. These structures were moved on to a suitable site where there was electricity and a sewer available and completed in permanent materials to form the backbone of the new hospital. The cost of the hospital was only £10,000.

At Garissa and Marsabit new out-patient departments have been built, and at Moyale a new ward is under construction. At Wesu an X-ray department was completed and one has been begun at Kitui. Electricity has been supplied to Msambweni and the arrival of mains electricity at Itesio Leprosarium has released a generator which is being moved to Bungoma. Water-borne sanitation was installed at Taveta and is also being installed at Kiambu and Kerugoya.

In Nairobi, six family flats for senior staff completed the building programme for the Medical Training Centre, in addition, 12 African staff flats were constructed. In Mombasa, a block of six flats for nursing sisters and six family flats for African staff at the Coast Province General Hospital completed the housing programme in the original scheme. Staff housing was also built at Machakos, Kitale, Kangundo, Kapenguria and Kitui.

The policy of making grants on a £ for £ basis to non-government hospitals which are run on a non-profit making basis was continued. Grants totalling £3,750 were made from the 1960/61 allocation to Catholic mission hospitals at Kilima Mbogo and Ortum. A grant of £15,000 was made towards construction at Nairobi South. The European Hospitals in Nairobi and Mombasa received respectively £7,000 towards a new laundry and £5,000 for construction of a new ward.

Finance

The gross recurrent expenditure of the Medical Department during the period 1st July, 1959 to 30th June, 1960, totalled £2,211,444. The actual form of accounting was changed slightly from the previous financial year, the expenditure on the Medical Training Centre being divided among the appropriate votes. 'Grants to Hospital Fund Authorities' was shown separately this year. Revenue for the year amounted to £505,463.

Year Ending	Expenditure	Year Ending
30th June, 1959		30th June, 1960
£		£
1,158,909	Personal Emoluments	1,276,383
24,908	House Allowances	30,775
79,406	Travelling Expenses	78,814
361,535	Medical and Surgical Stores and Equipment	305,051
150,361	Maintenance and Upkeep of Medical Establish-	
	ments	168,548
74,767	Grants-in-Aid	90,570
	Grants to Hospital Fund Authorities	90,044
28,898	Contribution to Development Fund—Medical	
	Training Centre	16,000
7,328	X-ray Equipment	4,927
140,280	Miscellaneous Other Charges	147,822
1,332	Compensation and Ex gratia Payments	1,347
143	Losses of Cash	1,163
80,281	Medical Training Centre	-
£2,108,148		£2,211,444
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The net increased expenditure over the financial period 1958-1959 amounted to £54,031.

Year Ending 30th June, 1959			Year Ending 30th June,1960
£	APITATION FEES—		£
			12.700
12,843	East African High Commission	• •	12,798
55,577	East African Railways and Harbours	* *	52,637
14,514	E.A. Posts and Telecommunications Adminis	sıra-	12 220
1 245	tion	• •	13,229
1,345	East African Land Forces Organization	• •	1,485
296	Miscellaneous		658
\mathbf{F}	EES FOR SERVICES RENDERED—		* e
117,245	Hospitals and Dispensaries		148,300
5,470	X-rays		4,580
360	Massage and Physiotherapy		157
16,584	Laboratory		18,484
S	ALES OF STORES AND OTHER MATERIALS—		
89,893	Stores and Equipment		94,946
2,623	Artificial Limbs		3,143
760 -	Health Education Materials		689
273	Occupational Therapy Products		205
	Oral Polio Vaccine		20,437
R	EIMBURSEMENTS—		
28,898	International Co-operation Administration		16,000
5,619	Learners for Boarding Fees		4,413
763	Rations		536
15,045	Public Health Authorities—Staff Seconded		26,171
80,213	Public Health Authorities—Health Services		76,399
-	Other Ministries for Staff Seconded		4,004
7,151	Miscellaneous	• •	6,190
£455,472			£505,463

Recruitment

Medical Officer recruitment during the year was satisfactory numerically but owing to illness, resignations and retirements amongst the more senior and experienced doctors in the service there has been a constant dilution with young inexperienced Kenya-born doctors. Six expatriate medical officers were recruited, all on contract except for one on permanent and pensionable terms. Pathologist recruitment was satisfactory.

It has proved impossible to obtain sister tutors, but health visitor recruitment has greatly improved and all vacancies in this latter category of officer were filled at the end of the year. Nursing sister recruitment has been poor and services have only been maintained by the employment of married women on temporary terms.

The recruitment of health inspectors has been very bad. Only two expatriate officers were recruited and one locally-born officer returned from the United Kingdom having obtained his full qualifications. There were five health inspector vacancies at the end of the year.

The radiological and laboratory services continue to suffer from staff shortages, and it has proved impossible to obtain a pharmacist to fill a vacancy which existed throughout the year.

The major difficulty in recruitment of medical auxiliaries appeared to be that the terms of service offered by Government were not sufficiently attractive rather than that trained personnel were not available.

Training

There was no recruitment of students for training as hospital assistants during 1960, but consideration was given to the best of the first output of Enrolled Assistant Nurses—in 1963—being given a further year's training to enhanced hospital assistant status; the training of the old-type hospital assistants and of dressers will cease altogether as soon as all the existing students have qualified. Thereafter, there will only be nurses and one grade of assistant nurse.

Limitations were put on the number of hospitals carrying out training for Enrolled Assistant Nurses—these now number nine of the major hospitals throughout the Colony. Furthermore, hospitals accepted for pre-training were also limited in number.

Training of other categories proceeded much as usual. There was no difficulty in recruiting female students for Kenya Registered Nurse Training and no difficulty in keeping them once recruited. But there was some difficulty in the other faculties. For the second year in succession it was impossible to recruit students with Cambridge School Certificate for Assistant Health Inspector training. For the other faculties recruiting at this educational level, either the expected number of students was not recruited or it was necessary to take students of C.S.C. level who had failed the examination. Competition by commercial firms, who can offer higher salaries, was undoubtedly the reason for the difficulty in recruitment of C.S.C. students, and, together with the Students' Airlift, was responsible for the loss of students who had started courses and who subsequently discontinued training. There is no doubt but that a small proportion of Cambridge School Certificate students commence training at the Medical Training Centre and regard their training here as a means of obtaining free board and lodging, with

pocket money, while they look around for more remunerative commercial employment. None of these difficulties were experienced with recruitment at K.A.P.E. level: we are unable to offer training to all who apply. It is obvious that as the Cambridge School Certificate becomes more common in the population, the difficulty presently experienced in recruitment and retention of students will progressively diminish.

Two Anaesthetic and Dental Courses were commenced during the year, in March and September, and two short courses for Lay Lecturers were also held for the St. John Ambulance Society.

Sports, social activity and the various students' societies continued as in previous years.

The following table illustrates the work of the Medical Training Centre and the Training Hospitals:—

Category	Qualified in 1960	In Training 31-12-60
Assistant Health Inspectors	7	(New intake, Jan., 1961 is 15)
Health Assistants	46	68
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(Non-Government 49) Enrolled Assistant Nurses (course com-	}	M.T.C. 108 Other Centres 206
menced 1960). Enrolled Assistant Nurses Pre-Trainees	J	M.T.C. 31 Other Centres 285
Hospital Assistants M.T.C. (Non-Government 12).	31	M.T.C. 90 (Non-Govt. 43)
Assistant Radiographers Dark Room Assistants	1 4	11 7
Laboratory Assistants Kenya Registered Nurses	5 8	20 40
Storekeepers	8	4 16
Physiotherapy Assistants	8 2 14	6 20
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Visitors

The following visitors from overseas were received and shown aspects of the work of the Ministry:—

- Dr. J. Burchenal, Sloan Kettering Institute, New York.
- Dr. E. H. HINMAN, Head of Technical Resources Division of Office of Public Health, I.C.A., Washington.
- Dr. O. M. Derryberry, Tennessee Valley Authority, Chattanooga, Tennessee, U.S.A.

MISS JOAN WHITTINGTON, British Red Cross H.Q., London.

- MR. MAURICE PATE, UNICEF, New York.
- DR. ZISMAN, South-west Foundation for Research and Education, San Antonio, Texas, U.S.A.

Professor Douglas Robb, Sir Arthur Sims, Commonwealth Travelling Professor in Surgery, New Zealand.

Dr. John Shillingford, Post Graduate Medical School, London, W.12.

PROFESSOR R. J. KELLAR, Edinburgh University.

DR. JOSEF BURY, Ministry of Social Welfare, Jerusalem, Israel.

PROFESSOR J. H. S. GEAR, South African Institute for Medical Research.

DR. J. S. KERSHAW, Medical Officer of Health, Colchester W.H.O. Consultant.

DR. C. A. EGGER, UNICEF, Paris.

MR. P. E. HANSON, UNICEF, Kampala.

SIR MILES CLIFFORD, The Leverhulme Trust.

DR. L. K. DIAMOND, Children's Hospital, Boston, Mass. U.S.A.

MR. EPHRAIM BORROU, Ministry of Health, Addis Ababa.

Dr. J. J. Hanlon, Director of Public Health, Philadelphia, U.S.A.

Mr. Duncan Guthrie, Polio Research Fund, London.

DR. A. ALOKIJA, Ministry of Health, Western Nigeria.

DR. V. CHALUMEAU, Ministry of Agriculture, Ivory Coast.

M. GUILLAUME, F.A.O., Consultant, Rome.

MR. F. LOWENSTEIN, W.H.O., Geneva.

MR. L. ORIHUELA, W.H.O., Brazzaville.

REAR-ADMIRAL B. W. HOGAN, Surgeon General, U.S. Navy, Washington D.C., U.S.A.

PROFESSOR IAN AIRD, Post Graduate Medical School, London.

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NOTIFICATIONS OF MAIN INFECTIOUS DISEASES 1954-60

Colony Figures

Diseases		1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960
Cholera		Z	Z	Z	Z	ïZ	īŽ	īZ
Plague (Rodent)	:	Z	īZ	Z	4	∞	2	-
Plague (Human)			27	7	15	19	12	7
Smallpox	•	īZ	61	374	908	735	316	151
Typhus Fever (Exanthematous)		ĪZ	Z	Z	Z	Z	ij	īZ
Typhus Fever (Endemic)	:	24	51	55	27	10	∞	2
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Relapsing Fever	•	116	27	40	30	13	7	Z
Typhoid Fever		2,001	1,874	1,902	1,671	1,239	1,115	886
Cerebrospinal Meningitis	:	204	661	1,369	092	199	458	562
Poliomyelitis		538	240	84	614	307	271	1,003
Trypanosomiasis		151	92	32	61	77	38	59
Kala-azar	:	098	241	416	552	426	276	1,051
Leprosy	•	Not	Not	Not	Not	3,066	2,294	1,470
•		available	available	available	available			
Rabies		Z	Z	Z	Z	7	9	īŽ
Tuberculosis (Pulmonary)	:	Not	Not	4,947	5,902	6,952	6,002	5,704
,		available	available					
Dysentery	:	2,426	1,168	3,818	2,915	2,216	3,147	5,500
Influenza	•	671	439	1,295	14,513	2,452	3,708	3,205
Pneumonia	•	6,168	4,619	9,926	6,471	4,828	6,623	8,826
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1960-RETURN OF ACCIDENTS (COMBINED) IN-AND OUT-PATIENTS

		EUROPEAN	EAN	ASIAN	ZX	AFRICAN	CAN
	Accidents	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
Motor vehicles accidents.		39		179	6	3.819	144
Other transport accidents		4		50	İ	4,217	20
Accidental poisoning .		∞		10	1	583	13
Accidental falls		191	1	109	3	6,914	21
Accident caused by machinery Accident caused by fire and exp	Accident caused by machinery Accident caused by fire and explosion of combustible material	11		44	3	1,625 3,426	79
Accident caused by hot sub	Accident caused by hot substance, corrosive liquid, steam and	23		49	1	3 964	96
Accident caused by firearm		1				63	3 (
Accidental drowning and submersion Foreign body entering eye and adnexa	id adnexa	47		36		1,592	7
Foreign body entering other orifice Accidents caused by bites and stings	Foreign body entering other orifice Accidents caused by bites and stings of venomous animals and	ν,	1	93		2,185	4
insects Other accidents caused by animals		28		16	1 1	2,503	12 5
All other accidental causes	`	387		820	ţ	40,760	46
in war) Injury resulting from operations of war	in war)	30		79		5,504	24
	TOTAL	962	ĪZ	1,553	15	78,716	406
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35 233 29,265 Total AFRICAN Female 126 5,639 107 14,633 1,988 519 996 312 2,715 6,615 3,182 6,539 1,293 Male 4,632 36 Total Female ASIAN 3 80 61 15 50 30 60 Male RETURN OF DISEASES—OUT-PATIENTS, 1960 Total EUROPEAN Female $\frac{177}{110}$ 45 Male INFECTIOUS AND PARASITIC DISEASES DISEASES Tuberculosis Trypanosomiasis ... Schistosomiasis (Haematobium) Schistosomiasis (Mansoni) Respiratory Tuberculosis Other Tuberculosis Other Venereal Diseases Cough .. (excluding Bacillary Dysentery Amoebic Dysentery Acute Poliomyelitis **Ankylostomiasis** Onchocerciasis inor Variola Major B.T. Malaria Qt. Malaria S.T. Malaria Slackwater Herpes Zoster Chicken-pox Gonorrhoea Whooping (Meningitis Amoebic D Diphtheria Ascariasis Tinea Trachoma Tapeworm Infectious Relapsing Variola M Leprosy Tetanus Mumps Syphilis Anthrax Measles Rubella Plague Yaws Code 340 010-019

RETURN OF DISEASES—OUT-PATIENTS, 1960—(Contd.)

900		-	EUROPEAN			ASIAN			AFRICAN	
anon	DISEASES	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
	INFECTIOUS AND PARASITIC DISEASES—(Contd.)									
135	Scabies				10	6	19	6,430	5,464	11,894
036-138	Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	38	40	78	237	35	272	7,345	4,191	11,536
	New Growths									
140–205 210–239	Malignant Neoplasms Benign and other Neoplasms	847	49	14 96	36	16	52	195	171 694	366
	ALLERGIC METABOLIC AND BLOOD DISEASES									
241 286.6 290–293	Asthma	37	46 1 84	83	134	77	211	2,308 2,246 1,642	1,181 2,157 2,055	3,489 4,403 3,697
240-299	Other Allergic, Endocrine, Metabolic and Nutritional Diseases	135	267	402	152	92	244	4,830	3,071	7,901
	DISEASES OF NERVOUS SYSTEM AND SENSE ORGANS									
300–326 353	Mental Disorder Epilepsy	122	72	194	55	39	44	659 566	388	1,047
330-369	Other Diseases of the Nervous System and Sense Organs	167	206	373	194	06	284	2,208	1,271	3,479
	DISEASES OF EYE AND EAR									
370 373 389	Conjunctivitis and Ophthalmia Stye Blindness	217	259 36 7	476 75 16	380 133 2	179	559 179 2	22,460 1,848 940	14,275 810 474	36,735 2,658 1,414
371–388 390–398	Other Diseases of Eye (not Trachoma) Diseases of Ear and Mastoid Process	101 515	100	201	232	91 241	323	4,188	1,864 6,804	6,052
	CIRCULATORY DISEASES									
400-447	Diseases of the Heart Other Circulatory Diseases	58	26 206	398	12 75	23	115	1,503	538	1,224 2,135

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RETURN OF DISEASES—OUT-PATIENTS, 1960—(Contd.)

Code	Diseases		EUROPEAN			ASIAN			AFRICAN	
		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
	RESPIRATORY DISEASE									
490–493 N O S	Pneumonia	32	34	99	59	38	97	15,944	10,413	26,357
470-527	Other Diseases of the Respiratory System (including Coryza, Pharyngitis and Bronchitis)	1,927	2,245	4,172	6,432	3,406	9,838	127,935	69,120	197,055
	ALIMENTARY DISEASES					· · · · · ·				
530–535 537 536–538	Dental Caries—Other Diseases of Teeth and Gums Glossitis Glossitis and Other Diseases of the Buccal Cariffy and	76	94	170 317	151	126	277	15,201	8,530	23,731
560–561, 570 571.0 571.1 N.O.S		113 34 18 330	129 18 56 304	247 52 74 634	160 29 189 334	128 11 174 101	288 40 363 435	10,021 895 15,830 11,288	8,686 140 13,513 8,280	18,707 1,035 29,343 19,568
539-587	Other Diseases of Alimentary System	645	634	1,279	1,138	572	1,710	39,931	29,607	69,538
	GENITO-URINARY DISEASES									
613 NOS	Hydrocele	m	- community	m	1		1	543	1	543
636 NOS	Other Diseases of Genito-Urinary System and Male Genital Organs Sterility (Female)	175	82	257	139	9	144	4,840	180	5,020 2,314
650–637 650–652 NOS	Other Diseases of Uterus and Female Genital Organs Normal Pregnancy Abortion		794 327 23	794 327 23		201 110 19	201 110 19	111	9,502 14,476 3,880	9,502 14,476 3,880
640–689	Other Diseases of Childbirth	-	12	12	- Community	5	2	ŧ	586	985
	Skin and Musculo-Skeletal Diseases									
690–698 715 NOS	Boils, and Infections of Skin and Subcutaneous Tissues Chronic Ulcers	643	530	1,173	562 49	270	832	17,986	10,814 9,540	28,800 27,684
700–716	Other Diseases of the Skin Diseases of Bones, Joints, Muscles and Malformation	284 612	213 463	1,075	1,070	262 611	694	10,251 25,029	7,722	17,973

RETURN OF DISEASES—OUT-PATIENTS, 1960—(Contd.)

	Total		143 143,985	11,832 7,199 8,223 4,637 10,271 848	73,650 46,911	1,117,488
AFRICAN	Female		33,812	3,794 2,243 2,132 1,550 4,184 256	20,325	405,262
	Male		110,173	8,038 4,956 6,091 3,087 6,087	53,325 42,918	712,226
	Total		562	164 147 174 123 125	1,798	26,574
ASIAN	Female		146	22 41 31 44 44	557	8,812
	Male		416	113 125 133 92 81	1,241	17,762
	Total		498	1,842 268 254 110 69	848 3,151	22,703
EUROPEAN	Female		204	1,004 89 98 45 39	369	11,411
<u> </u>	Male		294	838 179 156 65 30	2,023	11,292
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Diseases		EASES A	• •	f Morb		<u>[-</u>
Dis		ILL-DEFINED DISEASES AND INJURIES	Neonatal Diseases Pyrexia of Unknown Origin	All Other Ill-defined Causes of Morbidity Fractures and Dislocations Sprains Foreign Bodies Burns and Scalds Poisoning	Other Injuries and Wounds Examination	
Code			760–776 788.8 70 N	N.800-N.839 N.840-N.848 N.930-N.936 N.940-N.949 N.960-N.979	N.850-N.999 Y.00-Y.18	

	Total	Deaths			470	63	65 65 65 11 13 14 14 14 15 16 17 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18
		z	Total		4,549	5/7	244 658 918 843 112 112 112 1144 11,062 11,167 11,062 11,0
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			Male		2,555	169	395 538 538 538 545 106 645 645 107 107 107 108 108 108 108 108 108 108 108
	Total	Deaths			12	-	
		z	Total		164		449
1960	ASIAN	ADMISSION	Female		54	_	31.5
ATIENTS,			Male		110	1	332
IN-PATI	Total	Deaths			1	1	
	7.	Z	Total		7	1	5
DISEASES-	EUROPEAN	ADMISSION	Female		-		
OF	H	A	Male		9	1	
RETURN		DISEASES		GENERAL INFECTIOUS AND PARASITIC DISEASES	Respiratory Tuberculosis T.B. of Meninges and Central Nervous	T.B. of Intestines, Peritoneum and Mesen-	
	Total Text	No.		<	2.1	n	400000000000000000000000000000000000000
		Code			001-008 010	011	

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			Male	C41	481 481 100	57	312	1 4	33 52 3,363 26	2,759 4485 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 10
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1	山	A	Male		87		5		13	818
RETURN OF	Diseases					Vari Vari Mea		Louse Borne Epidemic Typhus Flea Borne Endemic Typhus Tick Borne Typhus	B.T. Malaria Other Rickettsial Diseases Ot. Malaria S.T. Malaria Blackwater Fever	Schistosomiasis (Haematobium) Schistosomiasis (Haematobium) Schistosomiasis (Mansoni) Schistosomiasis (Japonicum) Other Unspecified Schistosomiasis Hydatid Disease Onchocerciasis Loiasis Filariasis (Elephantiasis) Other Filariasis Ankylostomiasis Tapeworm and other Cestode Infestation Ascariasis Guineaworm
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Total Deaths 35 742 49 245 229 42 101 75 Total ADMISSION AFRICAN Female 34 25 22 11 31 284 50 Male 9 22 22 503 36 187 Total Deaths Total RETURN OF DISEASES—IN-PATIENTS, 1960—(Contd.) ADMISSION Female ASIAN Male Total Deaths Total EUROPEAN ADMISSION Female Male 2 Infectious and Protozoal Diseases ... GENERAL INFECTIOUS AND PARASITIC DISEASES—(Contd.) Malignant Neoplasm of Mouth Pharynx Malignant Neoplasm of Oesophagus Malignant Neoplasm of Stomach... xcepting Salmonella Infections Unspecified Venereal Diseases rypanosomiasis Poisoning, Infective and Relapsing Fever (Louse Borne)
Relapsing Fever (Louse Borne)
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Weil's Diseases
Yaws
Rubella
Chicken Pox
Herpes Zoster
Mumps
Dengue
Trachoma
Sandfly Fever
Leishmaniasis
Trypanosomiasis (Gambiense)
Trypanosomiasis (Rhodesiense)
Other Unspecified Trypanosomia
Scabies Diseases due to Helminths Lymphogranuloma Venereum Granuloma Inguinale Other Unspecified Venereal Disez NEW GROWTHS DISEASES Parasitic Diseases Other 444444 45 4444444444444444N.O.S. 124-130 N.O.S. 054–122 N.O.S. 132–138 CODE 140 - 148071.0 072.1 072 073 086 088 089 090 096.7 121.0 121.0 131 131 036 037 038 039 049 50

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RETURN OF DISEASES-		DISEASES		NEW GROWTHS—(Contd.)	Malignant Neoplasm of Intestine Malignant Neoplasm of Larynx	Malignant Neoplasm of Trachea, Bronchus and Lung not Specified as Secondary Malignant Neoplasm of Breast Malignant Neoplasm of Cervix Uteri	Malignant Neoplasm of other Unspecified	Neoplasm of Prostat	of Liver and		Malignant Neoplasm of all other and Unspecified Sites	Lymphosarcoma and other Neoplasm of Lymphatic Haematopoietic Systems	Benign Neoplasms and Unspecified Neoplasms	ALLERGIC, METABOLIC AND BLOOD DISEASES	Non-toxic Goitre Thyrotoxicosis Diabetes Mellitus Beri-beri Pellagra Scurvy
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Total Deaths 409 284 206 317 637 427 34 75 117 201 644 806 671 97 81 278 1,401 377 421 Total ADMISSION AFRICAN Female 245 245 150 180 145 34 32 39 97 630 126 362 439 209 113 87 170 551 92 124 2 65 42 181 850 195 8 205 392 277 277 16 51 83 785 114 Male 75 282 367 462 171 290 251 Deaths Total 2 7808 22 26 34 25 Total RETURN OF DISEASES—IN-PATIENTS, 1960—(Contd.) ADMISSION Female ASIAN 10 ∞ 24 19 Male 18 Total Deaths 46 2 Total EUROPEAN ADMISSION Female 34 12 Male Sonality

Mental Deficiency

Vascular Lesions Affecting Central Nervous
System Other Allergic, Endocrine, Metabolic and Blood Diseases DISEASES OF NERVOUS SYSTEM AND SENSE Psychoses ... Psychoneuroses and Disorders of Perngitis due to Other Organisms except Fuberculous and Syphilitic ... Hyperchromic and LLERGIC, METABOLIC AND BLOOD (except Meningococcal Inflammatory Diseases of Ear ngitis due to H. Influenza ngitis due to Pneumacoccus Multiple Sclerosis ...
Epilepsy ...
Inflammatory Diseases of Eye Cataract ...
Glaucoma ...
Otitis Externa ...
Otitis Media and Mastoiditis
Other Inflammatory Diseases of DISEASES—(Contd.) Anaemias ...
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Total	Deaths			27	1		9 49	29 157 41	29		21 296 1411	85	47 79 7	12 2 2 8	4 6	23			
	7	Total		460	267		435	88 495 158	109 55 361		1,386 1,062 4,515	1,736	5,117	126	70	286			
AFRICAN	ADMISSION	Female		152	210		194 19 96	39 221 59	39 18 146		388 1,558	73	2,214 839 527	W4-	۰ -	245			
		Male		308	357		241 14 105	49 274 99	70 37 215		790 674 2,957	4,012	2,903	777	77	341			
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	DISEASES		DISEASES OF NERVOUS SYSTEM AND SENSE ORGANS—(Contd.)	All other Diseases of Nervous System, Sense Organs and Auditory System	All other Diseases and Conditions of Eye	CIRCULATORY DISEASES	atic Heart Disease	Arteriosclerotic and Degenerative Heart Disease Other Diseases of Heart Hypertension with Heart Disease	Hypertension without Mention of Heart Diseases of Arteries Other Diseases of Circulatory System	RESPIRATORY DISEASES	Acute Upper Respiratory Infections Influenza	Bronchopneumonia Primary Atypical, other and Unspecified	Acute Bronchitis Bronchitis, Chronic and Unqualified	Hypertrophy of Tonsits and Adenous Empyema and Abscess of Lung Pleurisy (other than Tuberculous)	Pneumoconiosis	All other Respiratory Diseases			
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RETURN OF DISEASES—IN-PATIENTS, 1960—(Contd.)

	Total	Deaths			l	132	746	188 146 2 2 56		36	000 4	16	26
		z	Total		210	115 162 207 559 319 1,293	5,024	2,548 302 425 68 2,003		201	206 50 183 279 297 894	862	2,472
	AFRICAN	ADMISSION	Female		69	23,44 23,33 23,86 23,66 23,66 24,67	2,214	1,093 131 136 27 858		66 73	101 17 279 894	51	2,472
			Male		141	70 120 154 326 233 1,058	2,810	1,455 171 289 41 1,145		135	105 33 183 297	8111	l
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RETURN OF		DISEASES		ALIMENTARY DISEASES	Dental Caries All other Diseases of Teeth and Supporting	d Hernis	Two Years	e Coli	GENITO-URINARY DISEASES	Acute Nephritis Chronic, other and Unspecified Nephritis Infections of Kidney (other than Tuber-		Other Diseases of Genito-Urinary System and Male Genital Organs	Other Diseases of Uterus and Female Genital Organs
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		7	Total		247	154	667	2,651 554 10,294	2,698		1,990	984	135 2,350 857	549	54	197
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			Male		1						1,285	368	88 1,549 548	319	25	120
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		V	Male		1				1		27	25	7000	16		16
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RETURN OF		DISEASES		DISEASES OF PREGNANCY PUERPERIUM	Sepsis of Pregnancy Childbirth and the Puerperium	regnancy and	Haemorrhage of Pregnancy and Childbirth Abortion without Mention of Sepsis or	Abortion with Sepsis Delivery without Complication	Other Complications of Pregnancy, Childbirth and Puaerperium	SKIN AND MUSCULO-SKELETAL DISEASES	Infections of Skin and Subcutaneous Tissue Arthritis and Spondylitis	Unspecified Osteomyelitis and Periostitis	Chronic Ulcer of Skin	All other Diseases of Musculo-skeletal System Spina Bifida and Meningocele	System	Other Congenital Malformations
	TSI	No.		4	115	116	117	119	120		121	124		126	071	129
		Code			640–641, 681/2/4	642, 652, 685, 686	643, 644 650	650 660	N.O.S. 645-689		690–698 720–725	730	715 700–714, 716	738–744	+01	750–759

Total Deaths 0044mvr 18 129 35 10 21 57 6 41 30 20 20 116 127 161 161 934 662 396 305 3,717 648 1,346 986 319 5,831 2,385 379 168 161 6,631 Total ADMISSION AFRICAN Female 87 1,474 106 595 128 16 16 19 19 403 264 135 617 Male 4841927 62 729 583 670 527 1,790 251 232 4,357 3,907 2,631 Deaths Total 4 m m 26 108 11 124 20 108 12 30 9 Total 14 RETURN OF DISEASES—IN-PATIENTS, 1960—(Contd.) ADMISSION Female ASIAN 76 4262 7 22 N Male 25 17 9 9 48 11 27 13 26 4 Deaths Total 31 100 Total 40 2 EUROPEAN ADMISSION Female 26 41 Male 14 59 5 Haemolytic Disease of Newborn ... All other defined Diseases of Early Infancy III-defined Diseases Peculiar to Early Pyrexia of Unknown Origini Observation, without need for further Internal Injury of Chest, Abdomen and Superficial Injury, Contusion and Crushing with Intact Skin Surface All other III-defined Causes of Morbidity of Foreign Body Entering through Infancy, and Immaturity, Unqualified Sprains and Strains of Joints and Adjacent Diarrhoea of Newborn (under Four weeks) without Mention of Psychosis Post-natal Asphyxia and Atelectasis Head Injury (excluding Fracture). DISEASES OF NEW BORN ILL-DEFINED DISEASES Laceration and Open Wounds Ophthalmia Neonatorum .. Other Infections of Newborn Fracture of Skull ... Fracture of Spine and Trunk Fracture of Limbs ... Dislocation without Fracture of Unknown Origin DISEASES INJURIES medical care Birth Injuries Muscle Pelvis Senility Effects 143 136 137 137 137 138 140 140 141 140 145 147 LIST No. AN N.870-N.908 N.910-N.929 N.800-N.804 N.805-N.809 N.810-N.829 N.830-N.839 N.840-N.848 N.850-N.856 N.860-N.869 760–761 762 764 763, 766–768 770 770 773, 771, 772 N.930-N.936 780-795 CODE N.O.S. 794 788.8 793

RETURN OF DISEASES—IN-PATIENTS, 1960—(Contd.)

Total	Deaths				122 20	28	7,996
	'7	Total			1,679	1,036	152,992
AFRICAN	ADMISSION	Male Female Total		or statements	713	328	71,954
		Male			966	708	81,038
Total	Deaths				70	-	86
	7	Total			33	10	3,050
ASIAN	ADMISSION	Male Female Total			20	c	1,222
		Male			13	7	1,828
To+CT	Deaths					1	10
	ADMISSION	Total			5	1	832
EUROPEAN		Male Female Total			7	1	452
Щ	A	Male			3	1	380
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	CODE				N.940-N.949 N.960-N.979	N.980-N.959 N.980-N.999	

